

Announcements

Happy Birthday, Church!

Next Sunday, May 24, is Pentecost, when we celebrate the birth of the church. We wear red to symbolize the tongues of fire that descended from heaven with the Holy Spirit 50 days after Christ's resurrection. So come celebrate with us and wear red!

Chapel in the Woods

Next Sunday is also our first Chapel in the Woods service of this year. Weather permitting, this service takes place each Sunday from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend at 8:15 a.m. Set your alarm clock, bring a jacket, and join us as we worship in our beautiful outdoor setting!

Breakfast at the Church for All People

Next Sunday is also the fourth Sunday of May, which means we will provide and serve breakfast at the Church for All People. Volunteers are needed to provide egg casseroles and other breakfast items. Servers are also needed. Please see the sign up in the Hall or on the Connect page of our website.

Little Bottoms Diaper and Wipes Collection

All month long we are collecting diapers and wipes for the Little Bottoms Free store located in Franklinton. They especially need diapers in size 5 and 6 and last month they gave away 297 packages of wipes. Donations can be placed in the bin in the Hall. Let's restock their shelves!

Summer Brown Bag Lunches

Beginning June 3, Northwest will deliver Brown Bag Lunches to children in our community who receive free or reduced lunch when school is in session. We will make 1400 lunches a week through June and July. Donations of fresh fruit, juice boxes, and prepackaged chips and cookies are always welcome and can be dropped off at the church during office hours. Every donation means less we have to order. There is a donation sign up in the Hall and the volunteer sign up is online and can be found at nwumc.com/connect.

Compassion Camp Vacation Bible School, June 14-17

This year's VBS will be Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs and will be in the evenings, June 14-17. It is open to kids 3 years old (pottytrained) - 5th grade. Find details and register at nwumc.com/vbs.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today were given by Di Pool in honor of the 70th wedding anniversary of Di and her late husband, Dean.



Northwest
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Nursery care and children's small groups meet weekly at 9:30 and 11:00. Check in and out is at classrooms. Newborn-3 years are in the nursery. Preschool-Kindergarten meet in Room 214 and Grades 1-5 are downstairs in Room 111. Contact Zoe at nursery@nwumc.com for more information.



Northwest
YOUTH

Small groups are at 9:30 and 11 a.m. every Sunday in the youth room (112 downstairs). Join us tonight from 4-6pm for our end-of-the-year party at Zach's home. Contact Zach Peterson (zach.peterson360@gmail.com) or Pastor Chris (cbrinker19.23@gmail.com) for more information.

Join our Online Community

Stay up to date with everything happening at Northwest by joining our email list, and following us on Social Media. Here are some helpful links:



Find more announcements, sign up for emails, fill out our online connect card and more at nwumc.com/connect.



Download the Church Center App to stay connected.



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Scan this QR code with your phone's camera to go directly to the connect page, nwumc.com/connect.

Attendance
Last Week

9:30 Sanctuary Service
96 in the building, 55 online

11:00 Gathering
58 in the building, 20 online

WELCOME

9:30 a.m. Sanctuary Service

May 17, 2026

Order of Worship

Music Sunday

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Brian Luke & Mary Gardner

Celebrate with Joy

JuBellation

Welcome

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

United Methodist Hymnal #117

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Lee Keller

Scripture - 1 Chronicles 13:6-8 - and Reflection

Brian Luke

Children's Video

Katy Wright

Prayer

Pastor Mebane McMahon

Reflection

Ed Emerson

And They Heard from the Heavens

Choir

Reflection

Natalie Gardner

Do Lord, Amen!

JuBellation

Offering - Please pass the plate down your row

Because He Lives (chorus)

United Methodist Hymnal #364

Fly Away

Choir

Reflection

Ann Gabriel

The Call to Faith

Choir

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

United Methodist Hymnal #152

Sending

Postlude

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

Our pastors

Pastor Mebane McMahon, Lead Pastor

Pastor Chris Rinker, Associate Pastor

Contact the church office

614-451-2825

info@nwumc.com

Office hours

Monday - Thursday 9-3

Friday 9-noon



WELCOME

11 a.m. Gathering Service

**May 17, 2026
Graduation Sunday**

Order of Worship

Welcome

Phil Nagy

Grace Alone

God of Wonders

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I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Scripture - Acts 1:6-14

Message - You're on Your Own Now

Pastor Chris Rinker

Celebrating Our Graduates

Prayer

Offering

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

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