

Sunny Side United Methodist Church

June 01, 2025

ASCENSION SUNDAY

We are so glad you are worshipping with us this morning! We hope you feel the love and peace of the Risen Christ in this place! If you have a prayer request or are a first-time guest, please complete a card from the pew rack in front of you and put it in the offering plate.

Gathering Music

Tom Robinson

Welcome

*Chiming of the Hour and Opening Prayer

God of glory, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead, and raised Him to reign with You in heavenly places, give us grace to stand firm while you clothe us with power from on high. Teach us not to look for Jesus in the clouds, but right here among us; in the little ones, the suffering, the needy, the elderly, and in one another. Guide us to serve all your people with joy, caring for others with the love of Jesus. In His Name we pray, **Amen.**

Prelude

Jonna McRae

Choral Call to Worship: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

*Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" 140

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed 881

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem: "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," arr. by Eernisse

Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Children's Message

Laura Love

*Scripture: Acts 1: 1-11

Message: "God's Agenda".

Holy Communion Liturgy (see insert)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. JoAn Kinrade

Peg Lawrence

*Hymn: "I Love to Tell the Story" 156

*Benediction:

*Postlude

*You are invited to stand at this point in the service as you are able.
Please turn all cell phones off or on vibrate during the worship service.

Serving in Worship

Organist: Jonna McRae
Pianist: Tom Robinson
Choir Director: Dr. Kay Wideman
Acolytes: Carrie Love and Charley Kendrew
Ushers: Richard Overley, Don Smith
Sound and Livestream: Charlie Love, Janice Kulp
Children's Church: Bonnie Whalen, Linda Simmons, Robin Sims

Pastoral Care: Rev. JoAn Kinrade, joan.kinrade@ngumc.net

Prayer Requests: The family of Rick Shivers, Paulette Perry's friend Mary, Freddie Davis' sister Margie, Richard Overley's father-in-law Paul, Mac McDowell, Ron Twilley, Don Smith, Ron Rankin, Jill Robinson's sister Ann, Lois Head, Wanda and Richard O'Neal, Susan and Bob Francis, Dave and Carol Sparks, Rosalyn and Carl Hayes.

Sunday School for Children and Adults – each week at **9:45am** in the Education building.

For your Calendars:

Wednesday, June 4 Food Pantry, 8:15 am
Bible Study, 5pm (Read Revelation 8-11)
Choir Practice, 7pm
NORTH GA ANNUAL CONFERENCE- June 11- 14, Athens, GA.
Wednesday, June 11 NO Bible Study
Choir Practice, 7pm
Wednesday, June 18 Food Pantry, 8:15 am
NO Bible Study
Choir Practice, 7pm
Thursday, June 19 Midwest Delivery (notice date change)
Sunday, June 29 Fifth Sunday Fellowship Potluck Luncheon

*So then the Lord Jesus, after He had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by accompanying signs.
Mark 16: 19-20*

And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high. And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. Luke 24: 49-51