

**Sunny Side United Methodist Church**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 10, 2026**

*We are so glad you are worshipping with us this morning! We hope you feel the love and peace of Christ in this place! If you 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 and Call to Worship**

We are Easter people! No matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith. **God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.** The Holy Spirit lives in us and moves among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus. **God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.** The Spirit draws us into God's story, showing us how to cooperate in making God's dream a reality. **God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.** Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life. **We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Opening Prayer**

**Prelude**

**\*Chiming of the Hour**

**\*Hymns:** "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" 334  
"Spirit of the Living God" 393

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*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.

**Presentation from United Women in Faith**

**Robin Sims**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Choir Anthem: I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord, arr. by Joe E. Parks**

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; I will sing, I will sing.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness.

With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations.

**Scripture:** John 14: 15-31

**Message:** Resurrection Stories: "The Helper"

**Rev. JoAn Kinrade**

**\*Hymn:** "Kum Ba Yah" 495

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

\*You are invited to stand at this point in the service, as you are able.  
Please silence cell phones during the worship service.

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

**Prayer Requests:** Lean Overley, Vivan and Nancy Locke's niece Kelsi, The family of Ray Corley, Peggy Rankin and family following the death of her brother Tommy, Gwen Lansing's son Pat, following the death of his father, Dave and Louise Main, Walter and Peg Lawrence, Paulette and Clint Perry, Susan and Bob Francis, Sharon Roderick, Janice Meadows, Bennie Watson, Wanda O'Neal, Carol Sparks, Carl and Rosalyn Hayes, Judith and Richard Crowther

**For your calendars:**

**Bazaar craft day, each Thursday, 10am-12noon, Please come as you can!**

**Mon, May 11** Finance Committee Meeting, **6pm**

**Tues, May 12** Trustees Meeting, **5:30pm**, Admin Council Meeting, **6:30**

**Wed, May 13** Bible Study, **5pm**, Choir Practice, **6:45**

**Sat, May 16** Community Yard Sale, **8am-4pm**

**Tues, May 19** Election Day

**Wed, May 20** Food Pantry, volunteers report at **8:15am**

Midwest Truck Delivery, **12noon**

Bible Study, **5pm**, **NO Choir Practice**

**Wed, May 27** Bible Study, **5pm**, Choir Practice, **6:45**

### **Bazaar Craft Day**

Preparation for our Holiday Bazaar has already begun. We meet every Thursday from 10am to 12 noon. If you are not a craft person, we have other prep work to do (cutting fabric for the crafts, etc). This event is the primary source for our United Women in Faith budget that supports many local missions and an outreach to our community. Please contact Loretta Gregg to let her know you plan to attend. Please come as you can; we need YOU!