



**WHITNEY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Boise, Idaho

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**April 28, 2024**

\* invites you to stand as you are able

*WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD*

Prelude Music

Juli Draney

\*Gathering Song & Candle Lighting

“Lord, Be Glorified”

Six Ways to Sunday

Welcome

Lory Nesor

Choral Introit

\*Call to Worship

Lory Nesor, liturgist

One: We are branches, rooted in the vine of Christ.

**Many: We come because we seek to abide in Christ.**

One: The branches that remain in the vine bear much fruit.

**Many: We come because we long to be spiritually vibrant, alive, productive.**

One: If we abide in Christ, then Christ’s words will abide in us.

**Many: We come because we strive to be faithful disciples.**

One: We gather for worship now to the glory of the One God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

**Many: May we grow wildly as God tends us lovingly.**

\*Opening Hymn

“The Servant Song”

Six Ways to Sunday

Opening Prayer (unison)

**God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

Anthem

*WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD*

Scripture Reading – John 15:1-8

Sermon

“We Bear Fruit”  
Rev. Jen Hunkovic

\*Hymn

“You Are the Seed”  
UMH #583

*WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD*

Prayers of the People / Lord’s Prayer

Announcements

Invitation to Offering/Offertory

\*Doxology/Offering Prayer

UMH #94

*WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE*

\*Closing Song

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”  
Six Ways to Sunday

\*Benediction

Postlude

Juli Draney

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 28**

### **JEN HUNKOVIC, GUEST PREACHER TODAY**

Rev. Jen Hunkovic, of Meridian United Methodist Church, is our guest preacher today while Pastor Daryl is at General Conference.

### **SOUP FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

Join us following Worship today for a bowl of soup and time of fellowship.

### **PASTOR DARYL AT GENERAL CONFERENCE**

Pastor Daryl is in Charlotte, NC for General Conference in Charlotte, NC until Saturday, May 4. If you have pastoral needs while Daryl is away contact Jack Bynum or the church office.

### **RECONCILING VOTE - NEXT SUNDAY**

Next Sunday is your last opportunity to cast a ballot for our decision on becoming a Reconciling Ministry. If you cannot be here next Sunday you can pick up a ballot after Worship today.

### **SPECIAL ALL CHURCH CONFERENCE - NEXT SUNDAY**

There will be a special Church Conference following Worship next Sunday to recommend Charles Owusu-Ansah as a candidate for ministry, and to adopt the compensation package for Rev. Hannah Andres. Pastor Daryl will preside, and the conference will take place while we are awaiting the vote count from our Reconciling ballot.

### **ADJUSTED OFFICE HOURS FOR FINALS**

4/29 Monday: 12pm – 3pm

4/30 Tuesday: 12pm – 3pm

Thursday will have normal hours (1:30pm-5pm).

Whitney UMC is a *SCHOOL OF LOVE* where we learn to love God, one another, ourselves, and creation as Jesus teaches.

### **ALL Are Welcome Here!**

We, the Whitney United Methodist Church, declare that all persons are welcome to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of our congregation regardless of age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic condition, marital status, and mental or physical ability.

### **Upcoming Events**

- April 23 - May 3 – UM General Conference in Charlotte, NC
- April 28 – Rev. Jen Hunkovic, guest preacher
- April 28 – Soup Lunch; following Worship
- May 1 – United Women in Faith; Noon potluck
- May 5 – Reconciling Vote & Church Conference on Pastor's Compensation Package and Charles Owusu-Ansah's candidacy

A link to our full Calendar of Events can be viewed on our webpage at [www.whitneyumc.org](http://www.whitneyumc.org).

### **Assisting in Worship Today:**

Liturgist: Lory Nesor	Pianist: Juli Draney
Sound: Bert Allen	Band Director: Kevin Daniel
Online Feed: Rich Keefe	Choir Director: Isaac Flake
Head Usher: Bill Slupe	Nursery: Lorrie Baer
Pastor: Rev. Jen Hunkovic	Visuals: Bobbie Bynum



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