



**WHITNEY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Boise, Idaho**

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**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**May 12, 2024**

\* invites you to stand as you are able

*WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD*

Prelude Music

Juli Draney

\*Gathering Song & Candle Lighting

“Shout to the North”

Six Ways to Sunday

W&S #3042

Welcome

Pastor Daryl

Choral Introit

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

UMH #68

\*Call to Worship

Kathy Old, liturgist

One: A new day has begun.

**Many: Hope wins!**

One: A fresh start is granted.

**Many: Faith wins!**

One: Today you have the opportunity to do something new.

**Many: Hope wins!**

One: Christ is entering your life in a new way.

**Many: Faith wins!**

One: Come, let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way, a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith.

**Many: Love wins!**

**All: Let us worship Christ, who overcame death to give us new life!**

\*Opening Hymn

“Majesty”  
UMH #176

Opening Prayer (unison)

**God of incredible surprises, as we gaze into the clouds, remind us that we are standing on holy ground. Place our feet on the pathways of peace and hope. Draw our attention from the vision of the Lord rising to the heavens to be with you and help us to focus on the ministries that you would have us do. Keep us ready and willing always to serve you all our days. Amen.**

Anthem

“How Excellent Thy Name”

Arr. Roberta Bitgood

*WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD*

Scripture Reading – Acts 1:1-11

Scripture Reading – Luke 24:44-53

Sermon

“You Will Be My Witnesses”

Rev. Daryl Blanksma

Litany for Ascension Day

\*Hymn

“O Christ, When You Ascended”

W&S #3087

*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 Hymn

“All My Days”

W&S #3011

\*Benediction

Postlude

Juli Draney

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF MAY 12**

### **VOTE TO BECOME A RECONCILING CHURCH APPROVED**

Last Sunday Whitney completed its voting on whether to adopt the Reconciling Ministries foundational statement and join the Reconciling Ministries Network (RMN). The vote was just a little over 80% in favor. It needed at least 75% to pass. We will take time to recognize and celebrate the significance of the vote in Worship next Sunday and take a picture of the congregation (those who want to participate) to send to RMN. Clothing in various rainbow colors and/or rainbow accessories would be appropriate for the day. Since it is also Pentecost, red clothing to celebrate the Holy Spirit is also appropriate.

### **PARSONAGE WORK DAY**

Come help us get the parsonage ready for Pastor Hannah. We will have a workday in the yard this Saturday, May 18 at 10 am. We will be making some repairs to the deck, clearing out some piles of wood left from past projects, and cleaning out flower beds. If we get a big enough crew, it should only take a couple of hours. Check with Kevin Daniel or Stewart Gardner for more information.

### **WHITNEY QUARTERLY**

We are planning to publish a Spring edition of the Whitney Quarterly by early June. If you have articles for the Quarterly send them to [office@whitneyumc.org](mailto:office@whitneyumc.org). Handwritten copies left with the secretary work, too. We especially like articles with pictures! The deadline for articles is May 28.

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**

- May 11 – Makatas Dancers using Fellowship Hall
- May 12 – Mother’s Day
- May 17 – Community Dinner; 5:30 pm
- May 18 – Workday for Parsonage Yard; 10 am
- May 19 – Reconciling Celebration; 10 am
- May 21 – Celia Cowan Circle; Noon

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:**

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| Liturgist: Kathy Old        | 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. Daryl Blanksma | Visuals: Bobbie Bynum       |



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