

Ardmore United Methodist Church



Her children rise up and bless her; Her husband also, and he praises her, saying:
"Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all." Charm is deceitful
and beauty is vain, But a woman who fears the Lord, **she shall be praised.**



Mother's Day May 13, 2018

7th Sunday of Easter/Ascension of the Lord

Festival of the Christian Home/Mother's Day

May 13, 2018

Entrance

Prelude Be Glad, O My Soul Brahms

Introit Bless the Lord, O My Soul

*Hymn of Praise For the Beauty of the Earth No. 92

*Call to Worship (*Pastor and People*)

L: This is the day that the Lord has made.

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L: We gather to honor and remember the women who have nurtured us and given us hope.

P: May our worship be pleasing to you O God. Amen.

*The Apostles Creed No. 881

*The Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father No. 70

Opening Prayer

God, we take refuge in you. Do not let us be put to shame. Rescue us by your righteousness. Hear us when we cry out to you. Deliver us quickly from the net that has been set to trap us. Be the rock that protects us and the fortress that saves us. God of faithfulness, we entrust our spirits into your hands. Our future is in your hands. Shine your face upon us, and save us by your faithful love, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Proclamation & Response

Children's Choir "Pass It On"
Shirley McClintock, Director

Children's Time Stacey Bartels
(*Children may exit for Sunday School or to Nursery.*)

Distribution of Carnations to all women Children to distribute

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

God, you are the first and you are the last. As we gather together, remind us that you are bigger than our temporary circumstances. Reveal to us your love that extends beyond the uncertainty of our future. May our time together be an opportunity to rest in the eternal love that you have for us, Amen.

Solo Ave Maria Bach-Gounod
Meryl Dominguez, Soprano

Scripture Acts 1: 1-11 Page 1690
*Gospel John 17: 6-19 Page 1680

Readers: Sadye Timmons & Jennifer Miller Davis

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace of Christ

Ritual of Friendship (*Please sign, pass and return to pew rack*)

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

Offertory As Long As I Have Breath Sue Farrar

*Presentation of Gifts The Doxology No. 95

*Hymn Seek Ye First No. 405

Sermon "Grace Given by God" Pastor Tim

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn Precious Name No. 536

*Benediction (*Pastor*)

Pastor: My friends, as you leave this place, remember this:

People: We may not be able to escape the plans of our enemies, but neither will we be able to escape the love of God.

Pastor: We may not be able to escape pain and suffering, but we can always take refuge in the one who is our rock and our fortress.

People: We may not know what the future holds, but we do know the one who holds the future.

Pastor: Go in peace knowing that the eternal love of God is with you, Amen.

Postlude Praise to the Lord, The Almighty arr. Bish

*Congregation standing Head Usher: Katherine Beskid

Altar Flowers are in Memory of Craig Althouse from Ruth and family.

Today we celebrate Mothers! We honor our own Mothers and those present with us. As a way to share in this celebration, all women will be presented with a carnation.

A special thank you to the children's choir (led by Shirley McClintock) for such a beautiful musical homage to Mother's Day!

Today! Everyone is invited to join us in the Parlor after worship for coffee hour. Thank you Paula Engard-Ellis for hosting.

Wednesday, May 16th - 6:30pm. Friends in Faith, Parlor.

Sunday, May 20th - 11am Worship. Day of Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday. Recognition of 50 year members.

Sunday, May 27th - 10am worship, Memorial Day weekend. 1st Sunday of 10am worship for summer, 1st Patio Fellowship.

Sunday, June 3rd - Holy Communion. Rev. Kent Kroehler to preach. Meeting with Rev. Kent Kroehler in the Wesley Room following Patio Fellowship. (Finance, Trustees, Administrative Council, Strategic Planning & You.)

Rev. Kent, a retired UM Minister will lead us in a seminar on Generosity, Giving, Annual Campaigns and Endowment Youth and Administration.

While members of the above committee are encouraged to attend, we would like to invite anyone to participate.

Please RSVP to the office so we can have a good count for a late lunch that will follow Patio Fellowship.

Thursday, June 7th - 12:30pm. JOY Luncheon, Parlor

Sunday, June 10th - **Church Picnic!** (See Insert)

Thurs-Sat, June 14th - 16th - Annual Conference, Valley Forge Conference Center, Oaks, PA. Pastor Tim to attend. Also, Clare Sautter to attend as AUMC Lay Delegate. JJ Estenor will be a youth representative.

2018 SUMMMER PATIO FELLOWSHIP...

Beginning on May 27th & each Summer Sunday after worship, everyone is invited to meet on the patio for refreshments & fellowship. Folks are also welcomed to host the refreshments for a particular Sunday. We need 15 "sponsors" to do that. Cheryl Sherman can help you know what is needed. The sign up board is in the Narthex or contact the church office!

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It is our privilege to have you join us in worship. If you are new to our faith community, we welcome you. We hope that today's worship will be a fresh and positive "Open Window" to God's transforming love and power for your life. If you are visiting with us or have a new address, please fill out a prayer card in the pew and drop it into the offering plate, and sign our Guest Book in the entry area (Narthex) as you leave.

