

ANNOUNCEMENTS: WEEK OF MAY 8

MISSION FOCUS FOR MAY: BIDWELL RIVERSIDE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

[Bidwell Riverside Child Development Center](#) offers free full-day care for children ages 2-5 years in Des Moines. Please consider making a donation during the month of May. Drop off items in the collection bin in the narthex. Their most needed items include: Bubbles, Paper Towels, Disinfecting Wipes, Play-dough, Kickballs, Various Outside Balls, White Printer Paper, Dry Erase Boards (8 1/2"x11"), Dry Erase Markers, Washable Markers

SAVE THE DATE: VBS!

July 17-21 • 6pm

We are looking for volunteers to help plan and lead VBS. Contact [Maria Steckel](#) if you have questions or are willing to help.

GRADUATION SUNDAY • MAY 15

Join us to celebrate our High School graduates during worship on Sunday, May 15. This year's High School graduates include Colby Anderson, Madeline Bequeaith, Dillon Hanlon, Heidi Schoenberg, Ethan Mead, Ellie Mumma, Greta Musgrave

4 WEEK SMALL GROUP STUDY • THE CIRCLE MAKER

Wednesday May 11 • 6-7:15pm

CARE & CONNECTION

If you have or know of a care need, please reach out to our Care and Connection Committee chair, Carol Parrott, cmparrott@dwx.com or (515) 422-6426

THE PCUMC FARMERS MARKET IS RETURNING IN JUNE!

Beginning in June, you are welcome to bring a market donation and place it on the Farmer's Market table in the entryway. Customers may then donate cash, as they wish, for items they want. The money donated will benefit the DMARC Food Pantry Warehouse and the North Polk Comet Cupboard. Contact [Linda Pennington](#) or [Dixie Bequeaith](#) if you have questions.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers willing to serve on a rotation. [Contact James Menke](#) if you are willing to volunteer.

WOMEN'S COFFEE GROUP

Tuesdays • 10am in the Wing.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

1st Saturday of the month • 8am in the Wing



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

May 8, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Easter



CONTACT US: Wendy Musgrave, Pastor: wendy.musgrave@polkcityumc.org or 515.360.7139

Welcome Guests!

We are happy to have you with us today!

If you are visiting, please stop by the Welcome table to fill out a Connect Card and pick up a Welcome Bag!

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GATHERING SONG

“Take My Life”

WELCOME/CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS

www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship

Please record your presence in the Facebook comments or the website attendance card

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24)

Liturgist: Heidi Anderson

One: Day by day, God leads us:

Many: to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green, lush lawns of grace.

One: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

Many: to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.

One: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

Many: the community we could be, the family we are called to become.

— written by Thom Shuman on Lectionary Liturgies.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SONG OF PRAISE

“Our God Saves”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Carol Parrott

FAITH SHARING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Acts 2:42-47)

God of life and death,

We confess that sometimes we are not alive to the possibilities you offer.

In the midst of pain, unfairness, and fear, we find little reason for hope.

We feel despair or blame others, but we do not turn to you for help.

Forgive us, and show us how to share the new life you offer, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(John 14:6)

-Adapted from Confession and Assurance by Ruth C. Duck, from Touch Holiness: Resources for Worship.

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS & PRESENCE

Submit prayer requests on the Connect Cards.

Online prayer Requests can be submitted in the Facebook comments or the Attendance Card on our website www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

Your gift in-person, by mail or mobile device, or online at www.polkcityumc.org/give supports the ministry, outreach, and operations of your church. Thank you for your extravagant generosity! Find this week’s announcements on the back side of the bulletin, or on our website at www.polkcityumc.org

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Revelation 5, John 21)

**Loving Shepherd, we thank you for your tender care.
Everything we have comes the goodness of your love.
Receive the gifts we return to you now,
that sheep in other flocks may come to know you
and discover that you are the one who lays down your life for the flock. Amen.**

-by B.J. Beu. Featured in The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022.

HYMN SING

What song is on your heart today?

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:36-43

MESSAGE

“The Threads that Connect Us”

Pastor Wendy Musgrave

SONG OF SENDING

“Everywhere I Go”

BENEDICTION