

Order of Worship: Sunday, April 6, 2025
8:30 and 11:00 AM Services of Worship
5th Sunday in Lent/Confirmation Sunday/Sacrament of Holy Communion

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. MaryAnn Piccioni, Associate Pastor

Processional

Fanfare and Processional

D.E. Wagner

Lighting of the Candles

Amelia Fugate and Cayle Bryant

*** Call to Worship**

Molly Burton, Jacob DeGraw, Charlotte Droessler, Lillian McDermott, and Congregation

All: We are surrounded...

by Moses and Miriam

by David and Deborah

and by three Hebrew boys who would rather burn
than bow to other gods.

All: We are surrounded...

by prophets and priests

by prostitutes and poor folk

and by unnamed martyrs who were not ashamed
to declare the gospel of Jesus Christ.

All: We are surrounded...

by the famous and the forgotten

by the learned and the unlearned

and by millions who found meaning in following the Resurrected Jesus.

All: "We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith"

**Confirmants: Today, we take our place among these witnesses
and dare to love others as Christ loves us. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn**

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

UMH 605

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Julia Cox

Anthem (11:00)

Calvary's Love

arr. M. McDonald

Covenant Chancel Choir

Children's Chat

Rev. Dr. Scriven

Offering for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)

The Offering

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| Offering Prayer | | Ryan Kline |
| Offertory | <i>I Choose Love</i> | L. Thompson/M. Miller |
| *Doxology | | Youth Choir |
| | | UMH 95 |
| Scripture | Proverbs 3:5-6 Ephesians 2:8-10 | Elizabeth Fugate Hartley Bryant |
| Sharing Our Faith | | Confirmands |
| Affirmation of the SPUMC Confirmation Class 2025 | | |
| (11:00) The Baptismal Covenant Confirmation | | |
| Sacrament of Holy Communion | | |
| Invitation/Confession and Pardon | | UMH p. 12 |
| Thanksgiving | | Rev. Dr. Scriven |
| Breaking the Bread/Giving the Bread and Cup | | |
| Closing Hymn | <i>Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service</i> | UMH 581, vs. 4 |
| Sending Forth | Wesleyan Rule of Life | Andrew Cox |
| Recessional | <i>Praise God!</i> | H. L. Livingston, Jr. |

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2025 Confirmation Class

Hartley Grace Bryant
Molly Amanda Burton
Andrew DeWitt Cox
Julia Barbara Cox
Jacob Christian DeGraw
Charlotte Maren Droessler
Elizabeth Ann Fugate
Ryan James Kline
Lillian Mary McDermott
John Robert Quinton
Tristin Patel Steingart