

Lawrence Chapel
United Methodist Church
June 8, 2025



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Lawrence Chapel UMC practices the love and teachings of Jesus.

Prelude

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

arr. by Mark Hayes

Bringing Forth the Light

Making a Difference (Welcome and Announcements)

Rev. Gregg Martin

Call to Worship

Beloved, pay attention! The Holy Spirit sweeps among us, binding us together as family in Christ.

We are children of God, heirs of grace.

Beloved, have you noticed? The Holy Spirit moves among us, creating and renewing the whole of creation, inspiring us to co-create with God and one another.

We are children of God, co-creators in grace.

Beloved, be encouraged. The Holy Spirit lives among us, surrounding us with mercy and grace, witnessing to us about God's steadfast love for God's people.

We are children of God, witnesses to grace.

Beloved, pay attention! Whether in a rushing wind or a gentle breath, the Holy Spirit welcomes you here, for we are all children of God, brought together by grace.

We are children of God, we are His church knit together by the Spirit. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

We Are the Church

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Prayer for God's People

The 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.

Time and Prayer for Young Disciples

Deanna Phifer

*Affirmation of Faith for Pentecost (United Methodist Tradition)

We believe in God, the Creator of heaven and earth, who in the fullness of time breathed life into all creation and called us good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who taught us to love God and neighbor, who promised the coming of the Holy Spirit, and who lives among us still.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who came at Pentecost like a rushing wind and tongues of fire, empowering the Church to proclaim the gospel and to be the body of Christ in the world.

We believe that the Spirit works in us today, guiding us in truth, strengthening us in our witness and equipping us for service.

We are the Church, called to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, trusting in God’s grace and guided by the Holy Spirit.

***Gloria Patri** 70

God’s Written Word Romans 8:14-17 Pew Bible NT p.158

Hymn *Spirit of the Living God* 393

Prayer of Confession

O God, you who are always doing a new thing, we confess that we sometimes close windows against the fresh air of new ideas, against the noise of other people’s worries, against the winds of change. God of every place and time, we confess that we often draw the curtains against people who are different, against world news or community concerns. Forgive us our insulation in our locked homes, our shuttered churches, the security systems on our hearts. Open wide our lives and let your Spirit blow through. Amen.

God’s Written Word Acts 2:1-21 Pew Bible NT p.119

Sermon Pentecost People Rev. Gregg Martin
“We hear them speaking about God’s deeds.” Acts 2:11

The Invitation to the Offering Jeff Hall

Offertory *Gather Us In* arr. by Marty Haugen

***Doxology** 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer** Jeff Hall

***Hymn of Discipleship** *See How Great a Flame Aspires* 541

***Postlude** *You Alone Are Holy* arr. by Kenneth R. Hanna

***Benediction**

***Recessional**

***Congregation please stand, if able**

Those interested in joining others for lunch today, please meet at the bottom of the front steps after the service.

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Prayer Concerns

Eunice and John Adams, Marie Karns(Geehreng), Kelly(Sandra and Lou), Pat and Skip Fenton, Sam(Glenns), Duane and Norma Barton, Rylan and Family(Heather Beam), Frank and Joyce Hartsell, Barbara Ochoa, Brenda Hammond(Connie Curtis), Drew Meyers, Joseph Lorincz and Gunther Nocht(Kris Ellenburg), Bob Brackett and Jim Brackett(Donna Glenn), Betty Ambrose, Jan and Steve Rector, Rev. Bruce and Ann Sayre, Elaine Masceri.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Counter: Diane Singleton
Greeters: Helen Hedden and Erin Beam
Children's Church: Suzi Harmon and Deanna Phifer
Offertory Reader: Jeff Hall
Acolytes: Lynn Kelley

Meeting Reminders:

6/8 11:30am Outreach Greeting Cards on Sale in the Library last sale before the Salkahatchie Meal.
6/8-6/11 Annual Conference in Greenville.
6/9 10:00am Chat with Gregg.
6/10 8:30am Devotion via Facebook with Gregg
6/11 10:00am Church Office Closed for the rest of the day. No Hooks and Needles.
12:00pm Senior Lunch – at the Wright Cabin in Highlands. Caravan leaves the church at 10:00am. Bring several of your favorite dishes to share.
6/16 6:00pm Leadership Council Meeting

YTD Income/Expense Summary, April 2025			
Budget YTD	Expenses Paid YTD	Giving YTD	Variance Expenses to Giving
\$82,619.00	\$78,169.15	\$84,901.56	\$6,732.41

Year to Date 2025 General Fund gifts, tithes and offerings (YTD January-April 2025) exceeded YTD General Fund expenses by \$6,732.41. Your financial contributions to Lawrence Chapel are tremendous, exceeded only by the commitment of your time, talents, and other resources as you engage in and support the ministries, outreach, and services of Lawrence Chapel UMC. You make so many things possible in service to Jesus Christ. God bless you.

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Nursery and Restroom facilities are in the Education Building across from the sanctuary.
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I Am The Church

Donald Stuart Marsh | Richard Kinsey Avery

CHORUS

I am the church
You are the church
We are the church together
All who follow Jesus
All around the world
Yes we're the church together

VERSE 1

The church is not a building
The church is not a steeple
The church is not a resting place
The church is a people

VERSE 2

We're many kinds of people
With many kinds of faces
All colors and all ages too
From all times and places

VERSE 3

Sometimes the church is marching
Sometimes it's bravely burning
Sometimes it's riding sometimes hiding
Always it's learning

VERSE 4

And when the people gather
There's singing and there's praying
There's laughing and there's crying sometimes
All of it saying

VERSE 5

At Pentecost some people
Received the Holy Spirit
And told the Good News
Through the world
To all who would hear it

VERSE 6

I count if I am ninety
Or nine or just a baby
There's one thing I am sure about
And I don't mean maybe

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Spirit Of The Living God

Daniel Iverson

CHORUS

Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me
Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me
Melt me mold me
Fill me use me
Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me

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See How Great A Flame Aspires (Arfon)

Carlton Raymond Young | Charles Wesley

VERSE 1

See how great a flame aspires
Kindled by a spark of grace
Jesus' love the nations fires
Sets the kingdoms on a blaze
To bring fire on earth He came
Kindled in some hearts it is
O that all might catch the flame
All partake the glorious bliss

VERSE 2

When He first the work begun
Small and feeble was His day
Now the Word doth swiftly run
Now it wins its widening way
More and more it spreads and grows
Ever mighty to prevail
Sin's strongholds it now o'erthrows
Shakes the trembling gates of hell

VERSE 3

Sons of God your Savior praise
He the door hath opened wide
He hath given the word of grace
Jesus' word is glorified
Jesus mighty to redeem
He alone the work hath wrought
Worthy is the work of Him
Him who spake a world from naught

VERSE 4

Saw ye not the cloud arise
Little as a human hand
Now it spreads along the skies
Hangs o'er all the thirsty land
Lo the promise of a shower
Drops already from above
But the Lord will shortly pour
All the Spirit of His love
Amen

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