

UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 30, 2021 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



Order of Worship – Online Service

WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

This Is the Spirit's Entry Now

UMH #608

Welcome

Call to Worship

The kingdom of God is here, and coming.
A mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;
it is the smallest of all the seeds,
but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree,
so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.
The kingdom of God is here, and coming.
Yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour
until all was leavened.
The kingdom of God is here, and coming.
Treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid;
then joyfully sells all he has and buys the field.
The kingdom of God is here, and coming.
A merchant in search of fine pearls;
on finding one of great value,
sells all of his possessions and buys the pearl.
The kingdom of God is here, and coming.
Let all who have ears, hear. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

Prayer for Illumination

**Send your Spirit among us, O God,
as we meditate on your love.
Prepare our minds to hear your Word,
move our hearts to embrace what we hear,
and strengthen our will to follow your way.
This we pray through Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Matthew 13:45-46

NIV

⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**



Sermon

Pastor Michelle Mejia

Prayer



Invitation to Giving

Offertory	<i>Dona Nobis Pacem</i> Skyler Foster - Trombone	Traditional
Doxology		UMH #95
Hymn	<i>O Breath of Life</i> Verses one, two, three	UMH #543
Opportunities for Connection and Service		
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless and Keep You</i>	TFWS #2280

**To share your offering, you may use this link: <https://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving>*

Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:

3621 Campus Drive | College Park, MD 20740

Call to Worship: <http://liturgyoutside.net/>

Flowers provided by Frances and David Notley. Flowers arranged by Marie Venero.

Pearl and scripture: www.alittleperspective.com;

Pearl photo: <https://allenbrowne.blog/2018/04/27/whats-the-value-of-gods-reign/>

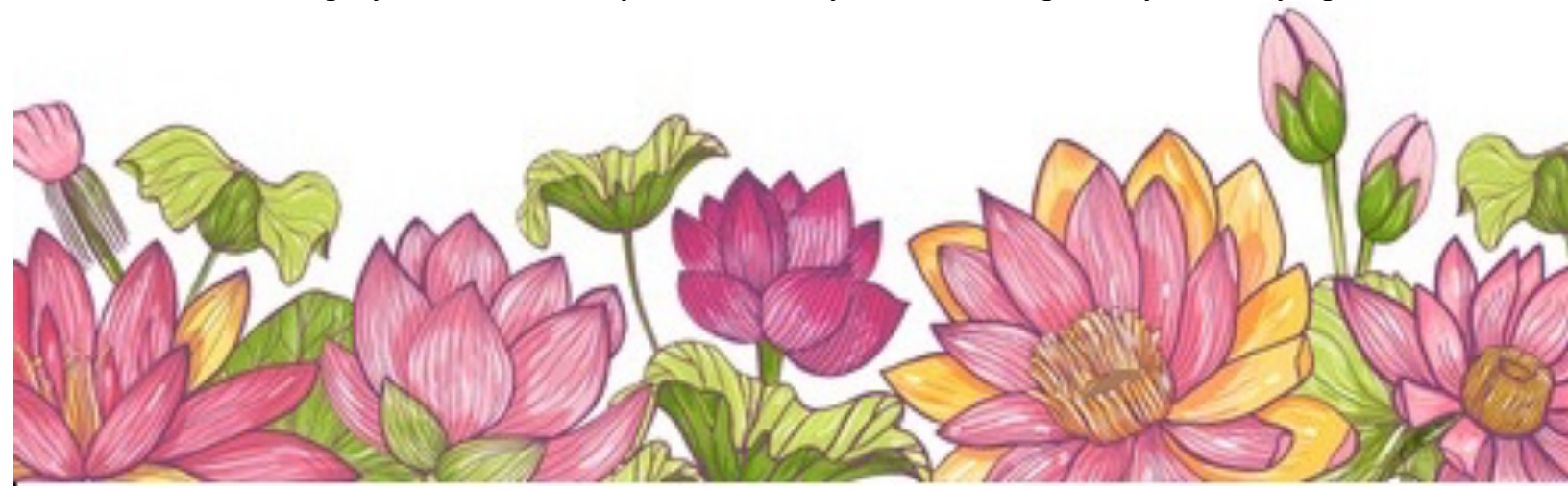
Stained glass: Scots' Church, Melbourne, Australia

SIGN OF HOPE

LORD'S PRAYER AMPLIFIED

*Our Father, who art in heaven
and all around us.
You are only a breath away.
Hallowed be Thy name
above all names.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
If Thy will be done, the earth will flourish, there will
be no more wars, racial injustice, or poverty.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Provide us all our needs. Needs for clothing, faith,
food, shelter, socialization and so forth.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lord we know we hurt others intentionally and
unintentionally; let us remember that when we are in
the same position.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Guard us from the lure of criticism, gossip, hoarding,
overeating, social media, substance abuse, etc.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and
ever. Amen.*

This beautiful prayer was written by Janis Pressley, who was inspired by the Holy Spirit.





<https://www.fisheaters.com/parables7.html>

Announcements for May 30, 2021

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

June 6	Outdoor Communion Service 10:30 a.m.
June 26	PG Library Event on our lawn; 10:00 a.m.
July 11	INDOOR Services Commence
July 24	Memorial Service for Bob Slack 10:00 a.m.

OUTDOOR COMMUNION SERVICE We hope to see you next week, June 6 at 10:30 a.m., for worship on our church lawn. Please bring your mask and lawn chair.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL We will not be meeting today, May 30, but will resume in two weeks after our online worship service on June 13.

HANDBELLS Our church owns a beautiful three octave handbell set. Because they have not been played in many years, several bells need refurbishing before they are able to be used. \$1500 will provide enough money to make the set usable. If you would like to donate money for this, you may donate online on our website (please choose "Give to the handbell restoration fund") or send a check to the church office. We look forward to enhancing our services with bells!

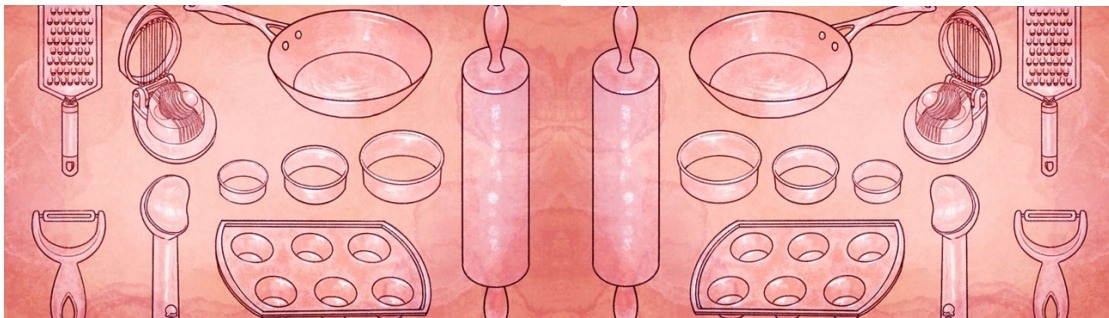
WEDNESDAY PRAYERS Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a Zoom call. You will receive Zoom information that morning.

Did You Know...

Our Kitchen Project is underway! Ellen Brown, who is spearheading this exciting project, has met with an architect, people from a commercial oven company, applied for a grant that would cover initial costs, and joined others from the committee in networking on Zoom with the Food Equity Council, and two pastors whose churches offer kitchen space to local entrepreneurs. Our UUMC Kitchen Project Committee has envisioned exciting ways that our kitchen space will be a blessing to our community. If you would like to join in this worthwhile venture, please let the church office know!

Kitchen Project Committee needs:

- People willing to write grants
- Names and numbers of reliable contractors
- Networking with people who may need kitchen space for their business or teaching ventures



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