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Sixth Sunday  
of  
**Easter**  
May 25, 2025



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<p><i>The Mission of Choptank United Methodist Charge is          to worship, welcome, nurture, and serve in the name of Jesus.</i></p>		
<p>Spedden UMC          881 Hudson Road          Cambridge, MD 21613          Worship: 8:45 am</p>	<p>Antioch UMC          1742 Town Point Road          Cambridge, MD 21613          Worship: 10:00 am</p>	<p>Beckwith UMC          1328 Hudson Road          Cambridge, MD 21613          Worship: 11:15 am</p>
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# JOURNEYING WITH JESUS THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF LUKE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TO GATHER

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!  
**In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.**  
In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!  
**Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!**  
Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!  
**Praise be to God. Amen.**

#### SING A HYMN: {Church Choice}

#### \*PRAY: *(After hearing requests, offer silent prayer for those on our list and in your heart.)*

Lord, we can only imagine the scene painted for us in Revelation in which we are given a glimpse of eternity. The light of your love pours over all the land, bathing it in healing warmth and hope. We have gathered this day to celebrate the gift of Jesus Christ. He said to the disciples "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Do not be afraid". How many times we are troubled and fearful. We feel hopeless in the face of an uncertain future. Help us to place our trust in your love. Open our hearts to see the wonder of your eternity. Release us from our anger, loneliness, and despair. Bring us to the realization that in your love we may find peace and joy. For it is in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, that we offer this prayer. **Our Father..."**

#### SING A HYMN: "O Spirit of the Living God" vss. 1, 2, 3..... (UMH #539) (CCLI 20203297)

1 O Spirit of the living God, thou light and fire divine,  
descend upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine.  
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace;  
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.

2 Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow until our minds are free  
from mists of error, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee.  
Burn, winged fire! Inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal,  
to preach to all thy great good news, God's glorious commonweal.

3 Teach us to utter living words of truth which all may hear,  
the language all may understand when love speaks loud and clear;  
till every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one,  
and earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done.

**READ SCRIPTURE:** John 14:23-29

**SING A HYMN:** (Church Choice)

**READ OR LISTEN:** The Promise of the Holy Spirit .....Pastor Nan

**RECITE THE APOSTLES' CREED:**..... (UMH #881) Pastor Nan

**OFFERING PRAYER...PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS...DOXOLOGY (UMH #95)**

God of unimaginable love, what challenges us is the command of Jesus, "As I have loved you, so you should love one another" – not just those who think as we do, pray as we do, and look the way that we do. Help us, through our giving, our living and our loving, to live up to the challenge of loving as you would have us love. In the name of our risen Savior, we pray. Amen.

#### INSTRUMENTAL OR VOCAL MUSIC

\***BENEDICTION:** *(Please remain quietly in your pew until the candles are extinguished.)*

Beloved of God, go to be a blessing. Bring the good news of forgiveness and healing to this hurting, lonely world. Bring hope to all, for God's love is poured out for all God's people.  
**Amen.**

#### REFLECT AT HOME ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:

In what ways do you see yourself keeping the word of God?

#### OFFER YOURSELF DURING THE WEEK:

Do whatever you can to share God's peace with someone who is troubled.

Thanks for your continuing support. Your help is needed to keep our bills paid in full and on time.

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*Spedden:* Mary Benjamin 779 Cook Point Road Cambridge 21613

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Cold Weather Shelter. Valerie Davis, Delmarva Community Services, 2450 Cambridge Beltway, Cambridge, MD 21613

Everstand (United Methodist Board of Child Care) 27993 Substation Road, Denton, MD 21629

MidShore Meals til Monday PO Box 1193 Cambridge, MD 21613

Overflow Café Ministries, 400 Muir Street, Cambridge, MD 21613

Pastor's Discretionary Fund—for use by all Choptank Charge members and friends; mail to

Spedden UMC, 881 Hudson Road, Cambridge, MD 21613

**To start a prayer chain, please call one of the following:**

- Pastor Nan—443-225-6720—Spedden
- Susan Long:— 410-228-5586—Beckwith
- Shelly Willey—410-330-0209—Antioch

\*[https://ministrymatters.com/2022-01-01\\_worship\\_connection\\_sixth\\_sunday\\_of\\_easter\\_c/](https://ministrymatters.com/2022-01-01_worship_connection_sixth_sunday_of_easter_c/)

\*\*<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/living-the-resurrection/sixth-sunday-of-easter-year-b-lectionary-planning-notes/sixth-sunday-of-easter-year-b-offertory-prayers> (adapted)