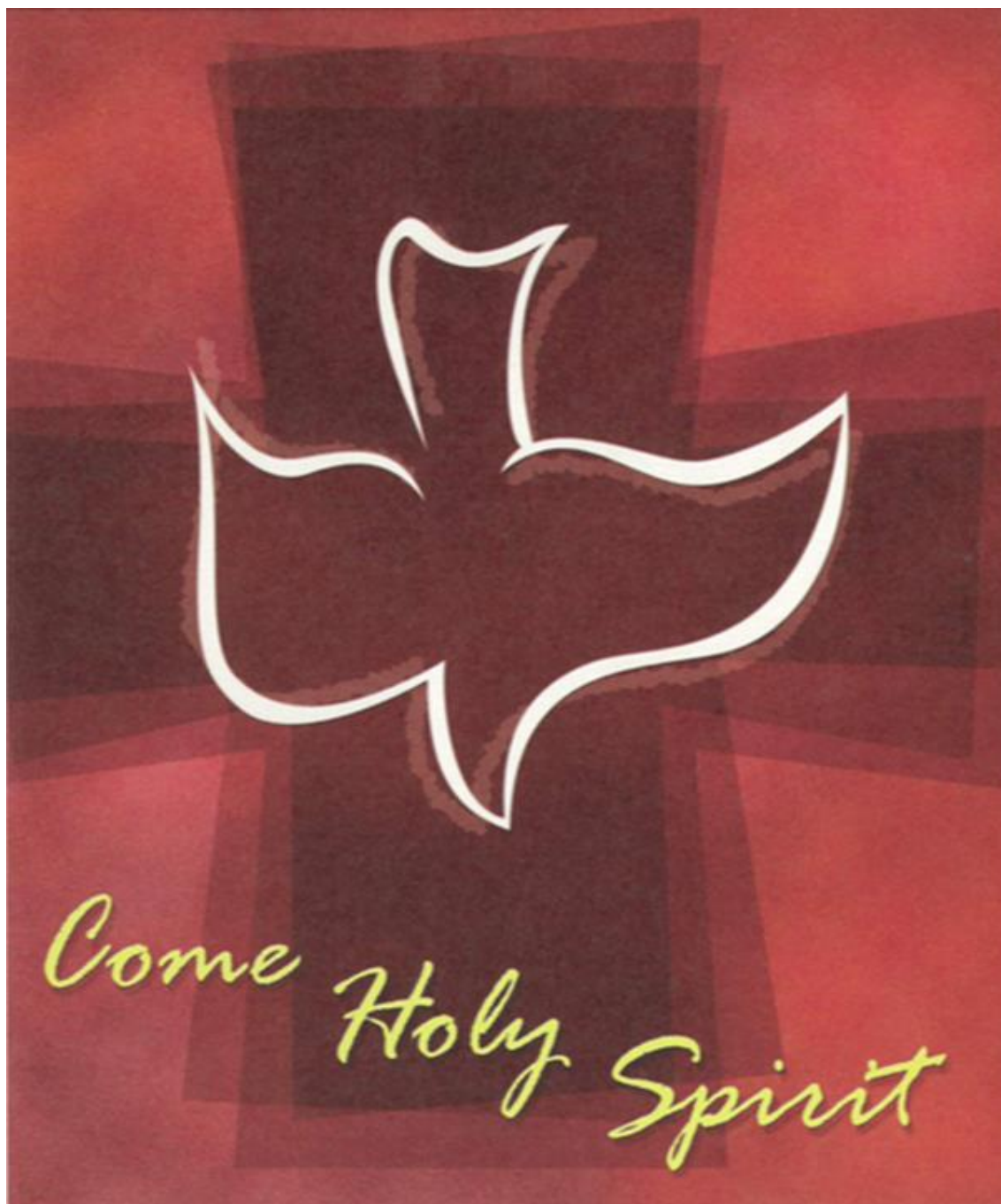




May 19, 2024

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.**

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.

Please silence cell phones.

**Standing - if comfortable*

PRELUDE “Prelude and Fugue in B-Flat Major” Op.16 – Clara Schumann Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 104

Leader: O Lord, how many and different are the things you have made!

People: The earth is full of your creatures!

Leader: Look at the sea, home to things both great and small.

People: Ships sail upon it, and great whales swim and play.

Leader: The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord.

People: And you give them their food in due season.

Leader: You open your hand,

People: And fill all things living with your goodness.

*HYMN #89

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

#89

**Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, in Jesus Christ you offer us yourself. In the stirring of the Spirit you bridge the distance between our hearts and yours. You open our eyes and ears, and awaken us to new possibilities in your love. Help us to be patient with ourselves and each other as we grow in you. Let our prayers be heard. Let our lives reflect your work in us, as you renew the whole creation. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Dave Larson

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Welcome pads are at the seats closest to the center aisle. Please share your name and other helpful information and pass down the row. Afterward please return to the aisle seat.

THE CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround you with a community of love and forgiveness, that you may grow in God, and be found faithful in your service to others. We will pray for you that you may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

*The children are invited to gather in front of the steps for a brief sermon and prayer.
Afterward they may leave for Sunday School or stay for the rest of the service.*

ANTHEM *"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"* – arr. Moses Hogan Chancel Choir
DeForest Kirkwood, Soloist

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Kristin Sutrave

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**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY Althea Waites

*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.**

SCRIPTURE Dave Larson
- Acts 2:1-18 The gift of the Spirit p. 144, New Testament

SERMON *"The Conversation"* Jonathan Chute

*HYMN *"O Spirit of the Living God"* #539

**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.**

**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.**

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE *"Toccata in D Major"* Op.25 – Flor Peeters Althea Waites

We are pleased to celebrate the confirmation of:

Brandon Fetters son of Brian and Susan Fetters
Clara Frances Gerlach daughter of Philip and Ann Gerlach
Jonas Alexander Hong son of Theodore and Jennifer Hong
Graham Matthew Johnson son of Matthew and Kathleen Johnson
Riley Lampshire daughter of Brian and Michele Lampshire
Lydia Grace O'Neill daughter of Michael and Jennifer O'Neill
Emily Elizabeth Ann O'Neill daughter of Michael and Jennifer O'Neill
Vaughn Ryan Schroeter son of Ryan and Giovanna Schroeter
Scott Curtis Switzer son of Brian and Tiffany Switzer

We give thanks for God's grace in the lives of these young people and their families on this special day.

New to the Church?

We are grateful that we can worship together. Please use our digital welcome pad by opening the QR code. Thank you!



Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kristin Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Administrator
Wade Welch, Treasurer

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Althea Waites, Organist
Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director
Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Catherine Dingman, Executive Assistant
& Finance Manager
Miguel Portillo, Custodian