



“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.”

- Acts 2:1

May 24, 2026

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 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

8:30 & 10 a.m.

*As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.
Please silence cell phones.*

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE

"Sonata in F Minor" mvt. 2 – Beethoven

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 104

Leader: O Lord, how many and great are the things you have made.

People: In wisdom you have made them all.

Leader: The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord; and you give them their food in due season;

People: You open your hand, and fill all things living with your goodness.

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.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, you are the source of all good gifts and the life that is ours each day. We give thanks for the hope you place within us, and the desire to make a difference in the world. We give thanks for your grace that lives and grows in each of us. Help us to see how to use those gifts to serve your children. Encourage us, as we move forward in faith and love. In Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Barbara Leone

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

Jonathan Chute

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 BAPTISM

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION April Herron

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 Barbara Leone
- Acts 2:1-18 The gift of the Spirit p. 144, New Testament

SERMON *"Where the Wind Blows"* Jonathan Chute

HYMN *"Forward Through the Ages"* #555

**Forward through the ages, in unbroken line,
Move the faithful spirits at the call divine;
Gifts in differing measure, hearts of one accord,
Manifold the service, one the sure reward.**

**(Refrain) Forward through the ages, in unbroken line,
Move the faithful spirits at the call divine.**

**Not alone we conquer, not alone we fall;
In each loss or triumph lose or triumph all.
Bound by God's far purpose in one living whole,
Move we on together to the shining goal.**

(Refrain)

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

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" – Barlow

Althea Waites

We are pleased to celebrate the baptism of Blair Priest Hand, Luc Robert Hand, Liam Gregory Hand, and Nicole Valerie Ann Hand. Blair and her husband Chris have worshiped with us over several years, along with other members of the family. Chris' grandmother, Helen Mellott, was a long time member of our congregation. Jonathan has been privileged to share in the weddings of Chris' brother Derek (and Tiffany Hand) and sister Laura (and Charlie Hernandez). Laura and Charlie's daughter Ginevra Isabella will also receive a blessing in today's service. We rejoice with their family and friends and give thanks for God's grace in their lives.

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 Director
Michele Nelson, Executive Assistant
Catherine Dingman, Business Manager
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