

**Anthon Community Methodist Church
Pentecost Sunday and Memorial Sunday
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
May 24, 2026@ 10:00 a.m.**

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Honoring Our Veterans on Memorial Day

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "This is the Day of New Beginnings" UMH #383

Call to Worship Liturgist: Marilyn Hladik

L: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ".

P: Brothers and sisters, we have gathered here this morning, not because of our own effort or initiative, but because our heavenly Father has drawn us to himself and to this place by his Holy Spirit.

L: We do not call ourselves to worship. God calls us to worship. God has set up this meeting.

P: God is calling out of the world, saying, "It's time! I'm here!" Oh come, let us worship and bow down

L: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God.

P: We are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Amazing God, you call us today, just as you called the disciples on the Day of Pentecost. You challenge and support us, revealing the brokenness of our communities; giving us the peace that our world needs. You point us to the pain of the cross, and then remind us of the joy of the resurrection. Transform us, O God, through the power of your Holy Spirit. Help us breathe deeply of the Breath of Life. Blow through our worship and change our lives forever. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

Special Music The Gift of Love Roger Hladik

First Reading I Corinthians: 12: 3b-13

Readers Theatre Shirley and Marilyn

Hymn of Preparation "We are the Church" UMH #558

Second Reading Acts 2: 1-21

Today's Message "Happy Birthday, Let's Celebrate" Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)
The Lord's Prayer**

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95

Prayer of Dedication

ALL: For opening your hand, and blessing us with your manifold blessings, we give you thanks, O God. On this day of Pentecost, may our gifts bring dreams and visions to world in need of hope and direction. And may our hearts overflow with rivers of living water. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "Pass It On" UMH #572

Sending Forth with Blessing
Postlude

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Marilyn Hladik
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church,
Our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis,
Tom & Cindy Herrick, Ed and Carol Davis, Alta Patterson,
Trisha Theisen & Family, Eleanore Lewis, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf,
Tracy Lewis, Bettina Perkins, Elwanda Sheriff, Evelyn & Larry Dicks
(Becky Marshall's parents), Jerry & Eileen Klindt, Lyle & Sally Schram,
Roger Nelson, Will Hoy, Betty Nelson, Connie Ashley, Barb Madsen, and
Betty, John & Kathy Hodgdon.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 25: Memorial Day

June 11: WOF meeting 10:30

June 11: Delivery of Monthly Food to shut ins.

June 21: Father's Day

May Liturgists: May 31- Duane Brandt

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: John & Kathy Hodgdon (29)

May/June Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You! If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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