

Anthion Community Methodist Church

5th Sunday of Easter

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

April 28, 2024 10:00 AM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH #304

Call to Worship Liturgist: Jake Mitchell

L: We are branches, rooted in the vine of Christ.

P: We come because we seek to abide in Christ.

L: The branches that remain in the vine bear much fruit.

P: We come because we long to be spiritually vibrant, alive, productive.

L: If we abide in Christ, then Christ's words will abide in us.

P: We come because we strive to be faithful disciples.

L: We gather for worship now to the glory of the One God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Colossians 3:12-16

Special Music Precious Lord Roger Hladik

Children's Story Andrea Mitchell

Hymn of Preparation "Thy Word Is a Lamp" UMH #601

Gospel Reading John 15: 1-8

Today's Message "The True Vine" 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: Generous God, you have blessed us with so much. Take these gifts and cause them to work for you in this world which you have loaned to us. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "This Is My Song" UMH #437

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Jake Mitchell
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, Fran & Keith Determann, Ed and Carol Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Brady Gothier, Eleanore Lewis, Jean Petersen, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Roger Nelson, Peggy Hansen, Brittany Miller, and Turner, Becca Petersen & Baby Ivy Kate and Sympathy to Family of David Beach.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Reminder: Pastor Walt Bernard, pastor in 1993/1995 will be celebrating his 90 th birthday on April 29. He would appreciate hearing from his Anthion friends:

Rev. Walter Bernard, 1120 Everett Road, Forest, VA 24551

April 30: Women of Faith Meeting 10:00 am.

May 12: Mother's Day muffins

May 13: Anthon Community Band Concert. Town Park. In case of bad weather, will be held in the church sanctuary. 7:00 p.m.

May 19: Pentecost and Graduation celebration.

April Readers: May 5-Autum Hansen

April Children's Story: May 5-JoLynne Reimert.

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Jerry Klindt; Dawn Zahnley (28); Aubriella Redenius (29); Ryan Baldwin (30); Tanner Petersen (2).

Mission Committee: working on the Gift of Mobility, See details on the table in the fellowship hall. We are planning a fundraiser for May 31st and June 1st in conjunction with the Spring Rummages in Anthon. Everything contributed will be sold for 50 cents and donated to the church for a mobility cart.

Women of Faith: are supporting "The Place", a facility that supports abused women and men. If you would like to contribute anything, there is an orange sheet of Needs on the table in the fellowship hall.

All Church Cleaning: We are having an all-church cleaning. There is a signup sheet on the table in the fellowship hall to sign up for windows, storage areas, or a room or space that you would be willing to clean at your convenience. We would like to have the church cleaning finished by Mother's Day, May 12th.

Mar/Apr. 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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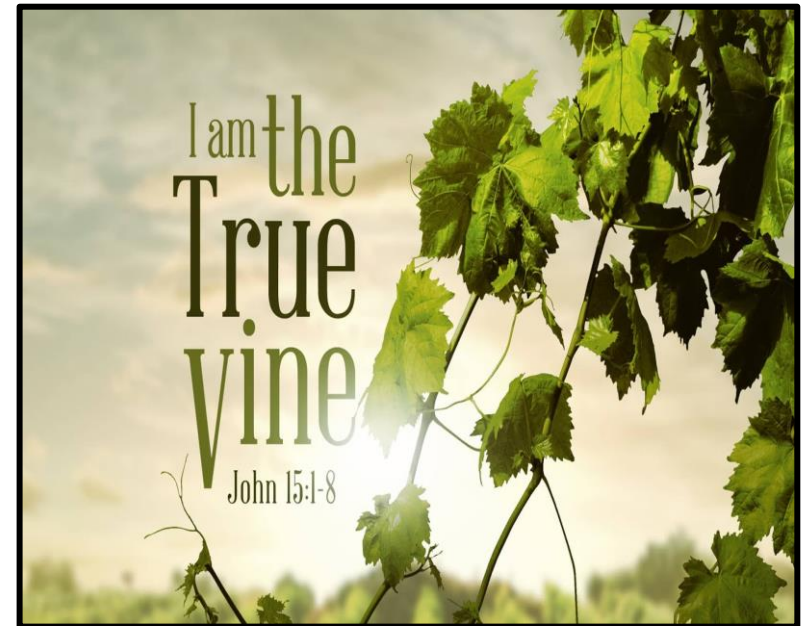
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“By this my Father is glorified”