

Order of Worship for May 16, 2010
ASCENSION SUNDAY
The Journey Continues: Destination Freedom
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Entrance

Gathering
Welcome and Registration of Attendance Megan Saucier
Please turn off cell phones, pagers, and other electronic devices. Otherwise, you might miss God's call! Childcare is available for ages birth through four years old. You may ask an usher for directions to the nurseries.
Congregational Concerns (*Announcements are printed in the Warwick Weekly.*)
Centering Time
Centering Music: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Holden, arr. Hopson
Lighting of the Altar Candles: (8:30) Chanté Lance
(11:00) Fallon Sherwood

*Greeting:
Risen with Christ, let us seek the realities of the Spirit.
Our life is hidden with Christ in God.
He who descended is also ascended far above the heavens, that he might fill all things.
When Christ, our Life appears, we shall appear with him in glory! Alleluia!
(Don E. Saliers, U.S.A., 20th Cent.)

*Hymn of Praise: *Crown Him with Many Crowns* 327
*Opening Prayer: *The Ascension* 323 Laurence Hull Stookey, USA, 20th cent.

Proclamation and Response

Joys and Concerns Jessie Squires
The Pastoral Prayer
Children's Time Bill Davidson
(Afterward, ages 4-7 may leave for Junior Church in room 27, led by the ushers.)
*The Peace
*Hymn of Preparation: *Gather Us In* 2236
Testimony: *The Journey Continues: Destination Freedom* Henry Bennett
Anthem: (8:30) *Take Now My Voice* Nolan
(see Warwick Weekly for text) Praise Choir
(11:00) *Seek First the Kingdom* McDonald
(see Warwick Weekly for text) Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination Megan Saucier
God, source of all light, by your Word, you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that our hearts and minds
may be opened to know your truth and your way. Amen.

The New Testament Reading: Acts 1:1-11
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*The Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:44-53
This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: *Why Do You Stand Looking?* Bill Davidson
(First in a 4-part Sermon Series: *The Journey Continues: Destination Freedom*)
(Sermon manuscripts are posted on the church's website by Wednesday of each week www.wmumc.org)

Thanksgiving

Dedication of our Tithes, Offering and Commitments Jessie Squires
Offertory: *O Worship the King* J.M. Haydn, arr. Labenske

*Doxology: ***What Gift Can We Bring?*** (vs. 4) 87

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*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.

Sending Forth

*Litany: *The Journey Continues: Destination Freedom* Bill Davidson
Gracious God, you have called your Church to mission and ministry.

We are responding to your call with love and generosity.

By your grace, the sacrifice of your people has brought our community of faith closer together and made possible significant outreach that is changing lives in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Guide us by your Spirit that we may complete this journey and realize the promise of freedom that leads to further mission and ministry

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn of Sending Forth: *Kumbayah* 494

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude: *Rejoice, the Lord is King* Darwall, arr. Page

**Please stand as able.*

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Rev. William G. Davidson, Pastor

Rev. Jessica D. Squires, Associate Pastor

Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY.....	8:30-168; 11:00-227
Total Worship Attendance.....	395
Sunday School Attendance	158
TOTAL 2010 OPERATING BUDGET	\$624,603.00
Required new income.....	\$585,000.00
Needed in Operating Budget Year to Date	\$213,750.00
Support to Operating Budget Year to Date	\$214,069.90
Support to Operating Budget Last Week.....	\$9,112.55
Amount Needed Each Week for Operating Budget	\$11,250.00
Available Balance in Building Fund	\$119,184.70
<small>(Excludes \$30,653.55) representing loan balance)</small>	
Support to Building Fund Year to Date	\$56,434.30
Support to Building Fund Last Week.....	\$2,544.50
Amount needed by June 9 for mortgage payment.....	\$18,837.07
Amount received Month to Date	\$6,453.50
Permanent Financing	\$2,106,259.71

Open hearts, open minds, open doors!

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Hebrews 12:1-2; Galatians 5:1

The Easter Season, also known as the Great Fifty Days, began at sunset Easter Eve and continues through the Day of Pentecost. It is the most joyous and celebrative season of the Christian year. It focuses on Christ’s resurrection and ascension and on the givings of the Holy Spirit on the first Easter and the Day of Pentecost.

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