

The United Methodist Church in  
**Wayne**



**Sunday!**  
**April 28, 2024**

**UMC in Wayne**

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Living God, Root of Life, we grow and blossom from your heart.

**All: You are the river; we are your flowing.**

Loving Christ, Flowering of Love, we give thanks for the beauty of your grace.

**You are the vine; we are your branches.**

Holy Spirit, Fire of God, your love burns in us, and shines into the world.

**We are your candle; you are the flame.**

**We belong to you; we worship you; we serve you. Alleluia!**

\*HYMN      *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit  
We are one in the Lord  
We are one in the Spirit  
We are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity  
May one day be restored

Chorus

And they'll know we are Christians  
By our love by our love  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
By our love

Verse 2

We will walk with each other  
We will walk hand in hand  
We will walk with each other  
We will walk hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news  
That God is in our land

Verse 3

We will work with each other  
We will work side by side  
We will work with each other  
We will work side by side  
And we'll guard each man's dignity  
And save each man's pride

Verse 4

All praise to the Father  
From whom all things come  
And all praise to Christ Jesus  
His only Son  
And all praise to the Spirit  
Who makes us one

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Christ, you are the living vine. May your presence give us life, your Word give us wisdom, and your grace flow through us that we may bear fruit in the Spirit of your love. Amen.**

**THE BASKET**

**PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

Leader: Trusting in God's tender mercy, let us confess our sin to God with one another.

**All: God of life, you are the vine, and we are your branches.**

**But we confess that we have tried to live separate from you.**

**We have not rooted ourselves in you, or opened ourselves to your life and your spirit and your power flowing through us, your love and your beauty blossoming in us.**

**Our lives become dry and fruitless.**

**God of life, we desire to be rooted in you, joined to you, part of you.**

**Return us; forgive us, fill us again with your life. Amen**

**SCRIPTURE**                      **John 15:1-8 Common English Bible**

**“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. He removes any of my branches that don’t produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can’t produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can’t produce fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can’t do anything. If you don’t remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and, in this way, prove that you are my disciples.**

**MESSAGE**

**ANTHEM**

*This Is My Father’s World*

*Parish Drive*

**PRAYER FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD**

**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.**

**WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING**

**OFFERTORY**

**Give Thanks**

**Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. X2**

**And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us. X2**

**Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**God of love, you abide with us, you provide for all our needs and guide us in your ways. Out of gratitude for your care, we bring our gifts before you. Use them for your work of caring, that all may feast at the table of abundance, walk without fear, and drink deeply from the cup of compassion. Amen.**

***Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks***

**\* CLOSING HYMN**

***Sent Forth By God's Blessing***

***UMH #664***

**BLESSING FOR THE JOURNEY**

**POSTLUDE**

**TODAY AFTER WORSHIP**

***Please join us as we continue our worship with food and conversation in  
fellowship hall***

***Bell Practice***

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS April 28, 2024**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ May 5<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>**

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

#### **Tuesday April 30<sup>th</sup>**

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Bible Study The Lord's Prayer @ 7pm in Pastor's Office

#### **Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>**

Bible Study on Short Stories by Jesus @ 12pm (BYOL)

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Grace Café @ 6:30pm BYO Dinner

#### **Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Bible Study A Disciples Path @ 7pm in the Pastor's office.

#### **Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Prayer and Devotion @ 7am on Facebook

#### **Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>**

Holy Communion and Worship @ 10am

Redbird Cinco De Mayo Celebration

## Spring Choral Concerts

### Mark your calendars!

The **Ridgewood Singers** are presenting, "One Voice: Songs of Joy, Peace and Unity" **Sunday, May 5th @ 2:00**. The performance is at The First Presbyterian Church in Ridgewood. **See either Cathy Nalesnik or Anita Dispenziere for tickets.**

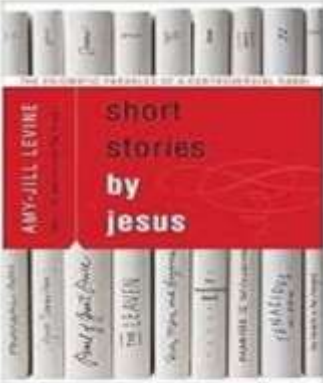
The **New Jersey Choral Society** is presenting, "**Gloryland**" which features American songs from the traditions of Spirituals, Gospel and the Sacred Harp. The performance is **Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30** at the Westside Presbyterian Church in Ridgewood. **Please see Lyn Sentkowski for tickets.**



### **ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS!!**

The UMCW Scholarship applications can be picked up in the church office beginning in April and must be returned by May 15th. Office Hours: 10am-3pm Tuesday-Thursday.

**\*\*Applicants must be an active member of the UMC in Wayne\*\* Any questions contact Nancy Kinch (973) 694-2603.**



**Join us for our new  
Wednesday @12pm Bible Study**

**beginning  
Wednesday May 1, 2024**

**Jesus was a skilled storyteller and perceptive teacher who used parables from everyday life to effectively convey his message and meaning. Amy-Jill Levine reveals the parables' connections to first-century economic and agricultural life, social customs and morality, Jewish scriptures and Roman culture. With this revitalized understanding, she interprets these moving stories for the contemporary reader, showing how the parables are not just about Jesus, but are also about us—and when read rightly, still challenge and provoke us two thousand years later.**

BYO Lunch and meet us in the Pastor's office

**The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:**

Today's liturgy is adapted from Steve Garnaas-Holmes  
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