

June 5, 2022

Pennies for Hunger: June 5

June mission: Peacehaven Farm

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Services are live-streamed **each Sunday**. Find out how at www.alamancechurch.org.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: today, June 5. Pentecost marks the day that the Holy Spirit was sent to Jesus' disciples — and it is the birthday of the Church. Red is the liturgical color for Pentecost.

SPECIAL MISSION OFFERING for June is to Peacehaven Community Farm. See insert for details.

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES! Southeast High School graduation was June 4. Alamance Elementary School fifth-graders graduated at a ceremony in the APC sanctuary on June 1.

SUMMER BREAK: Godly Play Sunday school class, Kids Reaching Out to Christ's Kingdom, and both youth groups take a summer hiatus through **Sep. 11**. Stay alert for notice of special summer events.

YOU ARE INVITED to a floating reception to honor Hannah Starr's attainment of a PHD in chemistry. Steve & Patty Starr invite you to join them at the Coble House on **Sun., June 12, 2-4p**.

SENIORS & FRIENDS meet in the Coble House on **even months** for a meal and fellowship. Next meal: **Mon., June 6, 11:30a**. On **Tues., June 28**, they go on a museum tour, then to Yum Yum's. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4ADA92DA7F58-senior> for the trip — and indicate if you plan to ride the church bus. Only **14** passengers can take the bus: sign up **SOON**.

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH MEAL is **Wed., June 15**. Sign up to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4faeac2aa7fd0-grace>.

MEETS: Meet, Eat, Entertain, Travel, Socialize is a fellowship group for empty-nesters. Next event is a **Sat., June 25, 1-6p** pool party at Mike & Sandy Ford's home. Here's where to access the evite for the party: <http://evite.me/GskJtX2bqk>.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022 is **Sun., July 10-Thurs., July 14**. A light meal is at **5:30p**, programming runs **6-8:30p**. Sign up to volunteer your services: <https://vbspro.events/p/events/a29838>.

VBS WISH LIST: Joy Thomas, Dir. of Children's Ministries, posted a short wish list on Amazon.com. Kind donors may order and pay there; items will be shipped direct. https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/6KKGfYMS3P0W?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_1FnoOLCf6XpDe

POTTERS HOUSE MEALS: Supper at Greensboro Urban Ministry's dining room is on the **third Sat. of odd months**. Next times: **July 16, Sept. 17, Nov. 19**. Contact Darren Hadley to serve. APC has served there since 2004. (darren.hadley@triad.rr.com).

STEPSOULS EXERCISE CLASS meets **M-Th, 4:30-6p; Sat. 8:30-10a** in the Community Room under sanctuary. Details: APC website and Phyllis Monroe (phylmonroe@gmail.com).

OPEN MEETING: 12-step recovery program (AA); **7p every Thurs.**, in the Picnic Pavilion (Gathering Place in bad weather). All are welcome.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in memory of Kyle Goodman's father, John Goodman Jr., by the congregation.

Christian sympathy is expressed to Ada Nelson and family, at the death of her nephew, Sam Brewer, on May 28, 2022.

Food Pantry

Needed: MORE egg cartons!

We finally used up our vast supply, and can happily accept more. Put them in the big golden box, please.

Special collection for June: Macaroni-and-cheese

A large RED bin behind Brown Fellowship Hall is for shelf-stable food donations. **Contact the Food Pantry to donate fresh produce or meat.**

A large carton in the Gathering Room is for shelf-stable food, and clean dry plastic grocery bags.

VOLUNTEERS ESSENTIAL: Food Pantry Team **needs** you. **Go here to sign up:** <https://signup.com/go/FLfKFNp>

Team needs: unpackers of food deliveries, shelvers of those foods, phone answerers for client calls, grocery cart fillers, takers of info from clients in their cars, putters-in-cars of each client's groceries.

Presbyterian Women Circles meet:

Martha Brown: Wed., June 15, 1p, at Coble House.

Red Hat: Mon., June 13, 6p; Coble House.

Agapé: Tues., June 14, 11a to go out to eat; return to church for Bible study.

L.I.F.T.: Check with your moderator.

Church Staff

Dr. Kyle Goodman, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jess Rigel, Discipleship Pastor
Andrew Long, Dir., Youth Ministries
Joy Thomas, Dir., Children's Ministries
Katie Long, Director of Music
Rebecca Oden, Pianist
Dana Adams, Finance Coordinator
Lynn Barnes, Secretary
Mary Ellen Shores Director, Child Development Center
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Mercy Chefs still operates in Paducah, Kentucky to serve those affected by the tornados that ravaged the state in 2021.

A second mission trip to Kentucky is planned for **August 15-20**.

Cost is \$230 per person. Ages 16 and up are welcome to go and work to clean up the mess left by the storms.

Today's bulletin insert contains contact information for Pastor Jess Rigel, with your questions about how to sign up to go on this in-country mission trip.

ONLINE GIVING:

www.alamancechurch.org has instructions to sign up with Easy Tithe for online giving.

To give by Text: text the word "give" to **336-396-6133**. Follow the prompts to set up an account and make donations.

The church phones cannot accept regular text messages.

Need to make changes to your account? Contact Dana Adams: 336.697.0488 x 127, dana@alamancechurch.org.

WE STILL ACCEPT DONATIONS for the Hea-van! The van sees near-constant use by individuals with mobility issues. Thank you for your gifts to the Lift Van Fund.

You may also donate to obtain covered parking for the church and daycare bus fleet, to help us steward those valuable resources.

CHURCH OFFICE

(336)-697-0488

info@alamancechurch.org
During normal business days, the church office is open
8:30a-2:30p on **M-T-Th-F**;
8:30a-12:30p on **Wednesday**.



We welcome all to the community of Jesus: to connect, to learn, to worship, to serve.

Pentecost Sunday

June 5, 2022 10 a.m.



Gathering

Welcome and announcements

Lay Reader today is Becky Brinkley.

Opening Music

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

- arr. David Hegarty

*Call to Worship

One Voice: Come, Holy Spirit of God! Bring your mighty power into our lives.

All Voices: Rush through our being, inspiring us to witness to the great love of God.

One: Come, Holy Spirit of God! Burn light, bright flames in our hearts.

All: Emblazon us with the confident spirit of faith that our lives will show your love.

One: Come, Holy Spirit of God! Be with us today in our thoughts and our prayers.

All: Come, Holy Spirit of God! Be with us in our words and our deeds.

*Opening Hymn

Come, All You People

Song sheet

Confession & Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, you know us too well. You know that, like the disciples following the crucifixion, we would rather hide and mutter and weep, than proclaim the power of your love. The world is a difficult place. We fear so much. We want people to like us, and so we hold back on our proclamation of our faith. We don't want to offend anyone. But your love and presence are not offensive. They are empowering and healing. Bring your holy fire upon us this day to ignite a spark of joy in our hearts and our voices. Bring the power of your rushing wind through our spirits, that we may be turned in new directions for service and witness. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

A Promise of Forgiveness and Peace

Passing of the Peace

We invite everyone to share Christ's peace with your neighbors in whatever way you can, both now and after the service. If you are with us on-line, we invite you to send a message or make a call to share peace.

If you are with us in person, we invite you to greet those near you.

One: The peace of the Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

***Sung Response** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* Song sheet

The Word

First Scripture Reading

Genesis 11:1-9

One: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

He Never Failed Me Yet

- Robert Ray

Children's Message

Children from age 4-5th grade may now go to the Grace Space at the front of the sanctuary.

Second Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Message

Getting Out of Our Tower

Dr. Kyle Goodman

Thanksgiving & Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

King James Version

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowéd be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Pray with the words that hold the most meaning for you, even if your words are different than your neighbor's.

Call to Offering

Sharing of Offering

We invite you to prayerfully make a donation to contribute to the continued life and work of our congregation. Please consider mailing contributions directly to the church, or using our online giving platform, available at <https://www.alamancechurch.org/online-giving>.

Offertory

Spirit Song

- arr. Mark Hayes

* Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Song sheet

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eucharist

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Communion Hymn

When at This Table

Song sheet

Prayer after Communion

Sending

* Sending Hymn

God Is Here!

Song sheet

*Charge and Benediction

Closing Music

* One asterisk means to stand, as you are able.

After worship, the minister stands at the side door, the closest exit for those with special needs.

Citations for references used during worship are available upon request, from the ministers.

The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible is used during worship, *unless otherwise noted*.

Lectionary Year C for Pentecost Sunday, **June 5: Acts 2:1-21; Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17, John 14:8-17, (25-27).**

Lectionary Year C for the Second Sunday of Pentecost, **June 12: 1 Kings 21:1-10, 11-14; Psalm 5:1-8, Psalm 32; 2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15; Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3.**

A lectionary is a selection of Bible readings to be used for worship and study.

This congregation uses the Revised Common Lectionary, which follows the liturgical year in a three-year cycle. Its scriptural recommendations complement the current season of the liturgical year.



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We are a **Matthew 25** Church.

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