

WINDERMERE  
*Union* Church  
United Church of Christ



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*May 23, 2021*  
*Scripture and Announcements*



*Pentecost Sunday*

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Welcome to Windermere Union Church.

We're Glad You're Here!

Please fill out a visitor's card and let us help you get connected.  
If you have a question about a ministry or event, we are here to help!  
Contact the church office at 407-876-2112.

## Ezekiel 37:1-14 NIV

### The Valley of Dry Bones

**37** The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. **2** He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. **3** He asked me, “Son of man, can these bones live?”

I said, “Sovereign Lord, you alone know.”

**4** Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones and say to them, ‘Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! **5** This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath[a] enter you, and you will come to life. **6** I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.’”

**7** So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. **8** I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them.

**9** Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.’” **10** So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army.

**11** Then he said to me: “Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.’”

**12** Therefore prophecy and say to them: “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. **13** Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them.

**14** I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.”

## Announcements

**Youth Recognition Achievements Sunday** - During worship service on June 6, we will acknowledge the achievement of our children and youth. Parents received an email earlier this week about their role in helping with this endeavor. We are looking forward to celebrating our children and youth that day.

**Inspirational Wednesdays** - Wednesday at Noon with LaTrell. This is a weekly online class via Zoom. It is a combination of conversation and a brief overview and context sharing about the subject from the facilitator. It is Bible-study-ish.

**Wednesday Painting and Crafting** - Will meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am outdoors at the home at Connie L. Feel free to bring any project you are working on painting, crocheting, sewing, and drawing. For more details please contact Martha K. at [kjmw02@gmail.com](mailto:kjmw02@gmail.com).

**Women's Wellness Saturday** - For the of May has been canceled. Women's Wellness Saturday will begin gather once again in the fall.

**Ushers Needed** - We would love you to be part of the team. No resume or previous experience required. Just a smile and a welcoming hand to "usher" people into W.U.C. If you are interested in learning more, contact Jesús Fuentes at [JGFuentes@cfl.rr.com](mailto:JGFuentes@cfl.rr.com).

**Offering QR**—To contribute with a credit or debit card scan this code to go the WUC website and click the donate button.



### Youth Conversations

**Virtual High School Conversations** - Each Sunday at 9am, high school students meet with LaTrell and adult volunteers via Zoom to discuss topics of interest. If you are in high school and would like to join the conversation, contact LaTrell Harrison.

**Virtual Middle School Conversations** - Each Sunday at 10:30 a.m., middle schoolers meet with LaTrell via Zoom for conversations about the Bible, activities, and fellowship.



## CONCERNS

Jerry - Timmy has liver disease.

Ann - Aaron has been diagnosed with cancer.

Jane - Mike Taylor's Mom is having tests.

Dell and Martha - Prayers for an ill friend.

Jim - Zane is fighting Stage 4 cancer and is being moved to hospice.

Dawn - Prayers for her step-brother John and nephew who are ill.

Kim Collins - Prayers for her husband and family.

## CELEBRATIONS

Alan - Celebrating Andy and Ben who are visiting from NY.

Vince - Best friend is visiting church today.

Ann - Our only grandson is coming to visit from Indonesia.

Dawn - Thank you for the donations!

Ruthie - Sister is doing well after surgery.

David H. - His friend Tom, is recovering well after surgery



Debbie Snow	May 1	Katie Kieper	May 13
Melissa Bruehl	May 1	Roger Neaman	May 16
Brandon Minnick	May 1	Naketrice Snow	May 17
Sara Drumm	May 2	Kavi Patel	May 18
Phyllis Berry	May 2	Christian Larenas	May 21
Kristin Brewer	May 5	Elma Ault	May 26
Jacob Warner	May 6	Tyler Drumm	May 26
Tessa Kurlin	May 7	Ron Wilensky	May 28
Sharon Kieper	May 8	Harry Mancina	May 28
Deborah Heisinger	May 9	Kim Patel	May 30



The Rev. Barton R. Buchanan

*(Please stand at points\* if you are able)*

*Pentecost Sunday*

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PRELUDE

***Holy Spirit***

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMN

***Let Every Christian Pray***

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\*CALL TO CELEBRATION

God of Infinite Wisdom, you understand our many languages.

***When we cannot clearly articulate our verbiage, you understand our needs.***

There are no boundaries in the words you speak.

***Your message of love is explicitly expressed.***

When we become one, our message spreads like a wildfire.

***We see you and hear you profoundly in the breaking of bread.***

The Spirit fills us anew.

***Love is a captivating power that heals all things.***

***Amen***

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SONG OF  
PRAISE

***You Keep Hope Alive***

OFFERTORY

***Come Alive***

OFFERTORY INVITATION

***O Great Love, you speak a pure love language. It's spoken and expressed in a variety of ways. Your presence empowers us to do wonderful things. In this season of Pentecost, may the gifts we bring provide healing and truth that all of humanity is worthy of abundant life. Amen***

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 37:1-14 NIV

GOOD NEWS

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE



## **Let Every Christian Pray**

Let every Christian pray, This day and every day,  
Come, Holy Spirit, come! Was not the church we love  
Commissioned from above? Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit brought to birth The church of Christ on earth  
To seek and save the lost: God never has withdrawn,  
Since that tremendous dawn, The gifts at Pentecost.

Only the Spirit's power Can fit us for this hour:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come! Instruct, inspire, unite.  
And help us see Your light: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

## **You Keep Hope Alive**

Days may be darkest, but your light is greater  
You light our way, God, you light our way  
When evil is rising, you're rising higher  
With power to save, with power to save

You keep hope alive, you keep hope alive  
From the beginning to end, your word never fails  
You keep hope alive, because you are alive  
Jesus, you are alive



Death had a stronghold, but your life was stronger  
Rose from the grave, rose up from the grave, yeah yeah  
When evil is rising, you're rising higher  
With power to save, with power to save, oh-oh-oh

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Jesus, you are alive

There's hope in the morning  
Hope in the evening  
Hope because you're living  
Hope because you're breathing  
There's hope in the breaking  
Hope in the sorrow  
Hope for this moment  
My hope for tomorrow  
There's hope in the morning  
There's hope in the evening  
There's hope because you're living  
There's hope because you're breathing  
There's hope in the breaking  
There's hope in the sorrow  
Oh hope for this moment (there's hope)  
My hope for tomorrow (there's hope)





You keep hope alive, you keep hope alive  
From the beginning to end, your word never fails  
Oh, you keep hope alive, you keep hope alive  
From the beginning to end, your word never fails  
You keep hope alive, because you are alive  
Jesus, you are alive, oh yes, you are

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