



Chester Bethel UMC

May 10, 2026

9:30 AM

Sharing in Worship Leadership this morning:

Organist: Carmella Lynch
Bell Choir Director: Pam Manocchio
Preacher: Rev. Kelly Conner
Special Music: Chip Hazel
Greeter: Barbara Colbourn
Usher: Bill White
Worship Leader: Rich Kuc

Prayer Joys and Concerns:

H=Health; L=Loss; LT=Long Term; O=Other

John King (L); Ed West (H); Nicole; Lorraine MacMillan (H); David D. (H); Dom D.(H); Millie Burke (H); Janet Canavan (H); Keith Saulsbury (H); Steve Schellberg (H); Donna (H); Joseph Glasgow (H); Bill Hazel (H); Linda Lyons (H); Andrew R.(O); Bill and Doreen Jones (H); Mary Ann Box (H); Ramona Harlow (LT); Holly Dorner (H); Donna McCormick (H); DeBrock Family (O); Kim Nally; Gail Kracyla (H); Dominic King (LT); Jill Brownback (LT); Nancy Walker (LT); MaryAnn Rumford (LT); Rick Browne (LT); all peoples impacted by war (LT)

Please add prayer requests and updates to the list in the Narthex

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Announcements

- Today we welcome Babita Jagnanan, Director of Phoenix Family Resources. She will speak today about her mission and connection with the CB Thrift Shop and Church.
- We will host the luncheon for Phyllis King's funeral on May 23. If you can bring food there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or call Laura at 302-562-3630-thank you!
- Join in a Prayer Vigil on May 14-17 for women in Baylor Correctional Institute. Info on Narthex table; please share your love by signing up.

Dates To Remember

May 5 – SPRC meeting at 3:00 pm
May 9 – Single Board information session at 1 pm
May 10 – Missions Meeting after church
May 12-14 – Annual Conference; Pastor away
May 15 – Office closed
May 16 – Emmanuel Dining Room meal
May 19-22 – Office closed for admin. vacation
May 17 – Church Vote on Single Board Governance
May 20 – Admin Council Meeting at 6 pm
May 23 – Phyllis King's Funeral at Chester Bethel; 11 am
May 25 – June 1 – Pastor vacation

May 10, 2026
6th Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS – Phoenix Family Resources

Babita Jagnanan, Owner and Director

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 27)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

People: **The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Leader: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

People: **though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.**

Leader: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

People: **I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.**

Leader: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

All: **Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!**

*OPENING HYMN – “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” UMH #152

OPENING PRAYER

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.¹

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

¹ The Episcopal *Book of Common Prayer*.

God of life, through Jesus Christ you have bestowed upon the world the light of life. Sanctify this new fire and grant that our hearts and minds may also be kindled with holy desire to shine with the brightness of the Risen Christ. Amen.²

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 58:6-10
NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 6:10-18

SERMON Week 5/6 of “Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, Lead Courageously” – Council of Bishops’ sermon series

SPECIAL MUSIC

*HYMN OF RESPONSE – “I’ve Got Peace” TFWS#2145

THANKSGIVINGS AND INTERCESSIONS
PASTORAL PRAYER
MOTHERS’ DAY LITANY

We pray for moms whose children are grown.

Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.

We pray for moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for step-moms.

Grant them patience, understanding and love.

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.

We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be mothers.

Grant them an answer to the call you’ve placed on their hearts.

We pray for women who have assumed the mother’s role in a child’s life.

Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for persons who are grieving the loss of their mother.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ’s resurrection.

And we pray for those mothers and children whose relationship is troubled or rent apart by abuse, addiction, prejudice, or any other force that threatens flourishing and resists your divine purposes.

Hold them in your arms, O God.³

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.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may place your cash or check offering into the plates we pass around at this time or mail your tithes and offerings to the church office. Thank you for working as Christ’s hands and feet in the world!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him, the source of all our gifts; praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*CLOSING HYMN – “Joyful, Joyful”

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* *Rising in body or in spirit*

² From Duke University Chapel worship bulletin, April 4, 2010.

³ Adapted from original: <http://pastorasher.wordpress.com/>.