



PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

UNITED ^{IN} IMPACT 

May 31, 2026

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Welcome to Arnold Mills United Methodist Church. Thank you for being here! Your presence creates a once in a lifetime experience. To learn more about our church, visit amumc.org. Please scan the QR code below to receive our weekly emails, prayer list, or monthly newsletter.

Whether you arrive full of joy or carrying a heavy heart, you are welcome here. We are a community seeking to follow Jesus together: authentically, imperfectly, and with hope.

This season is full of celebration in the life of our church and community. We give thanks for the mystery of the Trinity, pray and work for peace with justice, honor graduates, give thanks for fathers and father-figures, and celebrate Pride, rejoicing in the belovedness and dignity of all God's children.

Children are always welcome and fully part of this community. Worship as you are able, through singing, praying, listening, wondering, or simply being here. Come as you are. Come and be renewed. Come and celebrate the Spirit moving among us.



We Gather in God's Presence

Gathering

Gathering Music (Prelude) & The Christ Light Enters
Words of Welcome and Threshold Moment

Call to Worship

Come, all who seek the presence of our living, loving, leading God. Look to the heavens, the work of God's hands.

Who are we, that God is mindful of us?

Who are we, that God calls us beloved?

The Spirit moves, calling us into truth,
disturbing our comfort, and urging us toward justice.

May we be a people who listen, who see, who move as God moves.

The Triune God—Creator, Christ, and Spirit—welcomes us into love without limits, a grace that knows no borders.

We come to worship the One who is beyond us, with us, and within us.
Let us step boldly into the presence of God, ready to be changed.

We come, hearts open, spirits willing, lives ready.
Come, Holy Spirit, come and lead us forward!

Opening Song | Holy, Holy, Holy, 64 UMH

We Join our Hearts and Voices in Prayer

Sharing Life's Joys and Sorrows

Prayers of the People + The prayer Jesus taught (words on screen)

Prayer of Confession

Let us pray together:

**God of all creation, we confess that we have not always followed
where your Spirit leads.**

You call us to love boldly, yet we choose our own comfort.

You show us those who are hurting, yet we turn away.

You invite us into holy movement, yet we cling to what feels safe.

**Forgive us, O God, for the ways we have
silenced truth, ignored justice, and resisted change.**

**Forgive us for the moments when we have
seen suffering and called it "not our problem."**

**Forgive us for when we have let fear keep us
from speaking, from acting, from loving as you love.**

**Send your Spirit to unsettle us, to shake loose our hesitation,
and to lead us into the kind of faith that moves
beyond these walls and into the world.**

We do not want to be a people of empty words.

**We long to be a Church that embodies
your justice, your mercy, and your welcome.**

**In the name of the One who sees us, the One who speaks truth,
the One who never stops moving, Amen.**

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

God is still speaking, still moving, still calling us forward. In Christ, we are forgiven. In the Spirit, we are empowered. May we live as people who not only receive grace but extend it—boldly, generously, without hesitation.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn | Creating God, 109 UMH (tune: Gift of Love)

We Listen for God's Voice

God's Word | Genesis 1: 1-2:4 (OT P. 3), and Matthew 28: 16-20 (NT P. 32)

Good news! A word of faith, hope and love, for all who need to hear it.
Thanks be to God.

A Child Will Lead Them (Children's time with the pastor)

The Word in Music (Anthem)

Message

We Respond to God's Word

Giving our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness



Invitations and Announcements

Collection of Offering (*scan QR code for online giving*)

Doxology | Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow, 94 UMH

Prayer of Dedication

We Go to Love and Serve

Closing Hymn | Until all are fed, Lyrics on the screen

Benediction

The Christ Light Leads us into the World

Postlude

PRAYERS

Holding our neighbors, community and world in God's love
God in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Please pray for:

- Sandy Angell as she recovers from total knee replacement surgery.
- Keith Jillette as he works through confirmation. May the Spirit guide his journey.
- People who are unhoused
- All who struggle with and are affected by addiction
- Adama Brown, Alex Kithes, Pastor Heather, and all who gather for New England Annual Conference June 3-6, in Manchester, NH.

Please continue to pray for:

- Sandy Angel and her medical team as they plan treatment for a recurrence of her lung cancer.
- strength and comfort for Cindy Mauch's former boss and friend Bill, undergoing chemotherapy and dialysis.
- Santha Philip's cousin, Elsa, diagnosed

with lung cancer.

- Peace on earth.
- People who serve in the military and their loved ones
- All who are being targeted by ICE
- Alex Kithes' Aunt Helena
- The people and leaders of Iran, Israel, Kuwait, Lebanon, Palestine, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine and Venezuela
- District Superintendent, Rev. Wanda Santos-Perez and the churches of the Seacoast district
- Bishop Tom Bickerton and the New Hope Episcopal Area.



Submit a new prayer request or update us. We love to hear about answered prayers. Scan the QR code, or text or email Pastor Heather.

Worship Notes:

1. Call to Worship ~ www.resourceumc.org/-/media/umc-media/2025/04/14/11/37/2025_PWJS_Call_to_Prayer_English
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LIVING OUR VALUES

Integrity
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Belief
Justice

Teamwork

The Christian Education Committee is looking for the names of high school, college or trade school graduates in our church family.

For high school graduates please list where they are graduating from, where they plan to attend school in the fall (if applicable), and if they know what they'll be studying. For trade school graduates please list the school they graduated from and the trade they will be

going into. For college graduates please list the school they are graduating from along with the degree they received.

Please send the information to the church office by June 1.

Email: office.amumc@gmail.com Phone: 401-333-5203.

Integrity & Deep Community

Golden Cross Sunday: June 14

Golden Cross Sunday is an annual offering collected in United Methodist churches to benefit the three United Methodist housing and health care organizations in the New England Conference that serve older adults. Our church has chosen to direct all Golden Cross Gifts to Aldersbridge Communities, right here in Rhode Island. Your Golden Cross Sunday offering changes lives, provides dignity, compassion, and joy all year round!

This Golden Cross Sunday, June 14, please consider giving generously. Your gifts, combined with those of others across the conference, truly change lives and help older adults age with dignity, care, and hope.

Belief

Today is Trinity Sunday, the first Sunday after Pentecost, is the only Sunday in the Christian calendar that celebrates a doctrine of the church.

United Methodists have good reason to celebrate this day. First, because as Christians, United Methodists affirm the doctrine of the Trinity as it was developed within the early church and passed on to us to this day. And second, because "God is love" is at the center of center of all United Methodist theology and practice.

...The United Methodist emphasis that God is love flows from and is supported by that underlying, essential and eternal relationality of God. For without relationships, love cannot exist. Love is the relationship between lover and beloved. There must always be both. The love through which God made all things, sustains all things, and is making all things new flows from the love at the heart of the relationships that comprise God's very being.

John Wesley is widely remembered for a statement that first appeared in the preface of "Hymns and Sacred Poems" (1739), the first and principal hymnal he and his brother Charles developed for use by Methodist societies: "The gospel of Christ knows of no religion, but social; no holiness but social holiness. Faith working by love, is the length and breadth and depth and height of Christian perfection."

What John Wesley meant by this is that individualism, or "solitary religion" as he called it, has no place anywhere in Christian theology or practice. This is because God is love, and love only happens in relationship. We are not made for ourselves, but for each other and for our God. So we also must not imagine our God as a solitary individual, but rather as the divine community in perfect unity, each working for the good of the other, and so do likewise among ourselves. We are our siblings' keepers.

Observing Trinity Sunday calls United Methodists to join with other Christians not only in celebrating this hallmark of Christian doctrine shared with Christians everywhere, but also in remembering and offering to others the most significant theological and practical hallmarks of Methodism itself. God is love. Therefore, United Methodists can and do watch over one another in love to cultivate perfection in love in this life.

-from article by Burton Edwards, Ask The UMC, United Methodist Communications.

Justice

We are Called to be Peacemakers

This Peace with Justice Sunday, your generous contribution helps fund programs that promote peace, human rights, and justice both locally and globally. Let's work together to create a world where justice prevails.

Please use the envelope in this bulletin to give generously and help bring about the world God envisions: one of peace, justice, and reconciliation.

What's Happening at AMUMC - May 31 - June 7 2026

*Sunday, May 31 - Peace with Justice Sunday

- 9:00 AM – Coffee and Tea Available in the Kitchen
- 9:15 AM – Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM – Worship in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on Facebook.
- 10:00 AM – Children's Sunday School begins in the sanctuary
- 11:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship - Cargill Hall

Monday, June 1

- 7:00 PM – Troop 1 Boys/Girls Scouts - Cargill Hall

Tuesday, June 2

- 6:30 PM – Pack 1 Scouts - Cargill Hall
- 6:30 PM – Prayer Meeting - Zoom

Wednesday, June 3– New England Annual Conference

- 10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl & Crafts Ministry - Library

Thursday, June 4—New England Annual Conference

- 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal - All singers welcome!

Saturday, June 6—New England Annual Conference

- 2:00 PM – MaitRI Cultural Performance

*Sunday, June 7 - Promotion and Graduation Sunday - Communion Sunday

- 9:00 AM – Coffee and Tea Available in the Kitchen
- 9:15 AM – Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM – Worship in the Sanctuary & Livestreamed on Facebook.
- 11:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship - Cargill Hall

*Recording of livestream available after 11:00 AM www.amumc.org.

	May 31	June 7
Greeters	Margaret Waterman & Joni Robert	Margaret Waterman & Bolaji Campbell
Acolyte	Michael Emerson	Pam Thurlow
Liturgist	Alex Kithes	Stacey Johnson
Ushers	Jean Clark & Paul Roeber	Paul Roeber & Jean Clark
Coffee Hour	Nellie & Chet Chomka	Christian Ed
Closer	Dave Larson	Pam Thurlow

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

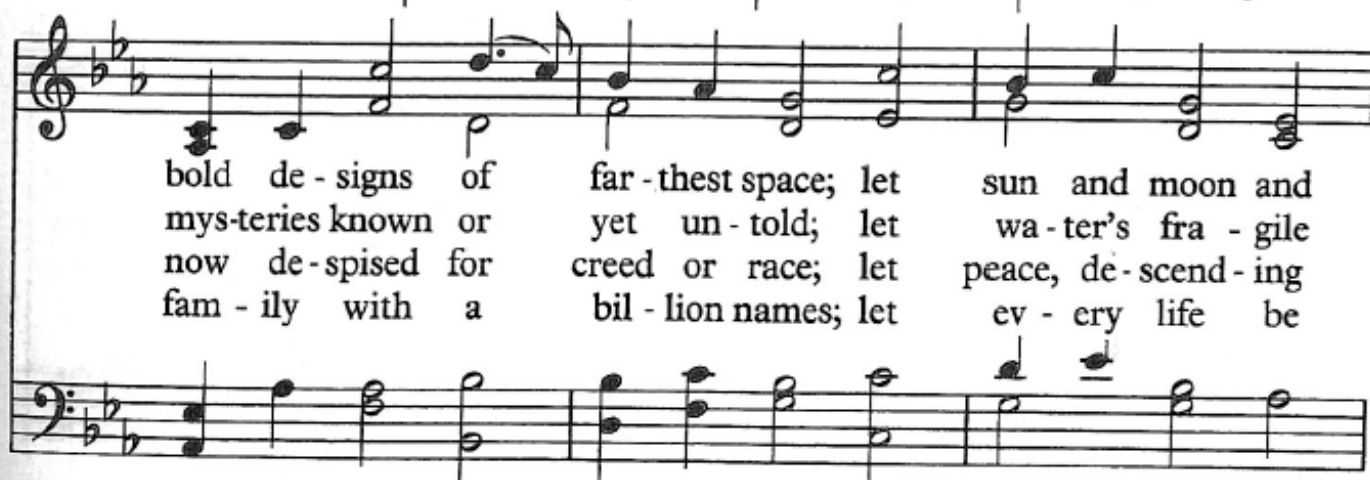
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace 109

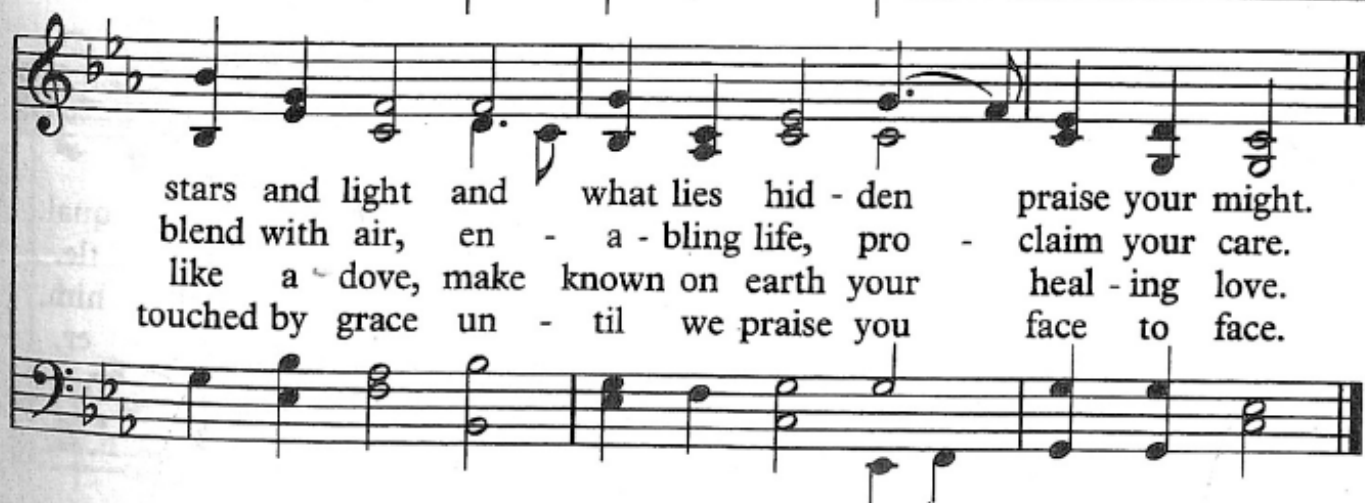
Unison



1. Cre - at - ing God, your fin - gers trace the
2. Sus - tain - ing God, your hands up - hold earth's
3. Re - deem - ing God, your arms em - brace all
4. In - dwell - ing God, your gos - pel claims one



bold de - signs of far - thest space; let sun and moon and
mys - teries known or yet un - told; let wa - ter's fra - gile
now de - spised for creed or race; let peace, de - scend - ing
fam - ily with a bil - lion names; let ev - ery life be



stars and light and what lies hid - den praise your might.
blend with air, en - a - bling life, pro - claim your care.
like a - dove, make known on earth your heal - ing love.
touched by grace un - til we praise you face to face.

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

Harmony

God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alle-

Unison

lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise

Harmony

Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesänge, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for a unison setting of 'Alleluia'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!' are placed between the two staves, aligned with the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second staff also ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.