

Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)



June 21, 2026 ~ 9:30AM

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4th Sunday After Pentecost

9:30AM

PRELUDE

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

C. Gabriel

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

Pastor J. C. Austin

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Ellen Oakes

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: One thing I ask of the Lord, this I seek:

People: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life!

*PRAISE SONG

Praise

Elevation Worship

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor J. C. Austin

Gracious and Loving God, Christ commanded us to love our neighbors as ourselves, but it is all too easy to pass by them instead. We avoid those who are hurt, poor, lonely, or grieving. **Sometimes we don't know what to do; sometimes we are afraid of what they** may do; and sometimes we tell ourselves there is nothing that can be done, and we have so much to do already. Forgive our fear and indifference, and pour out your Spirit of courage and compassion upon us, so we may reach out to those in need with your love, care, and hope. Through Christ we pray.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kathryn "Kat" Green, Director of Children's Ministry

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Ellen Oakes

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 86:1-10, 16, 17

SERMON

"Alive to God"
Romans 6:1b-11

The Rev. Ashley Brown

*PRAISE SONG

Lord I Need You

D. Carson, M. Maher,
C. Nockels, J. Reeves

COMMISSIONING OF WOODSWORK TEAM

Pastor J.C. Austin
Oliver Page, Director of Youth Ministry

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND OFFERING

Elder Ellen Oakes

A portion of today's offering supports our Mission committee in the area of mentorship. This includes our donations to "Drink at the Well", which empowers women recovering from trauma.

To give: text Woods to **73256** or go to **"Give"** on woodschurch.org or use the QR-Code on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Amazing Grace
(My Chains are Gone)

E. O. Excell, L. Giglio,
J. Newton, J. P. Rees

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS

Pastor J.C. Austin
Oliver Page

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Sarah Wilson

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

*PRAISE SONG

Sing Wherever I Go

We The Kingdom

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*Please stand if you are able

Woods Church services are live streamed and available for public viewing via YouTube on our website (www.woodschurch.org). Current church activities and events are also available for viewing. Check us out!

A Stephen Minister will be available, to the side of the chancel by the Stephen Minister banner, at the end of the service to listen and to pray with you. 9:30AM Gale Gillespie

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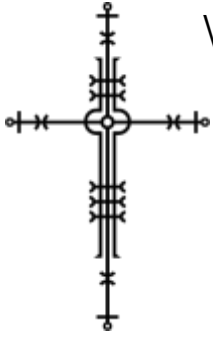
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Welcome to Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)

June 21, 2026

Our Vision: To be a voice of faith transforming lives
and society through Jesus Christ

Our Mission: Welcoming all to grow and serve in Christ

Flowers today were arranged by Sue Hannahs and are given for the glory of God
~ In memory of Judy Robinson, from her loving family

Join us for bagels, coffee, and fellowship after the service in Fellowship Hall.
~ In celebration of Nancy Nolan and Jim Hyatt's 2nd wedding anniversary and their nine
grandchildren, love Nancy and Jim

Christian Education/Sunday School Classes
Children's Sunday School Registration Forms are Located on the Welcome Desk

Time	Location
8AM Men's Bible Study	Room 208/Virtual
9:30AM Nursery 0-3-year-olds 4, year-olds – 5 th graders	Room 115 Room 150
11AM 250 Years of Christianity & Democracy in the United States	Room 208

Upcoming Events & Church News

Congregational Meeting – A special called meeting of the congregation of Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church will be held today, following the 9:30AM service. A quorum being determined, the meeting will be called to order following a review by the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) chairs of the candidate evaluation and selection process to: 1) Vote on a recommendation from the APNC to call the preaching candidate as Woods Associate Pastor. 2) Approve the terms of call and 3) authorize certain church officers and members to execute the Baltimore Presbytery Certificate of Call form. Information concerning the candidate will be published to the congregation the week before.

Coed Softball! No game today it's Father's Day enjoy family time together.

June Series by Pastor JC Austin – Adult Education will offer a four-week class by Pastor JC titled, "250 Years of Christianity and Democracy in the United States." Sessions will be held at 11AM in Room 208 and via Zoom, June 14-28. The class will be recorded for future viewing on demand. JC will explore some of the main ways that Christianity has engaged in the democratic society in the US from different historical/social contexts, from our founding to the present day. Meeting in Room 208 and on Zoom Meeting ID: 833 7763 8399 | Passcode: 444898.

Dinner Church Experience - Join us Monday, July 13 in Fellowship Hall for our Dinner Church Experience! We'll begin with a gathering time at 6PM, followed by Dinner Worship at 6:30PM, concluding around 7PM. (Special Time) This will be a **family-friendly, multi-generational evening** of food, faith, and fellowship in a comfortable, casual setting. We'll gather around tables as dinner

becomes part of the worship service, which will include singing, prayer, a message from one of our pastors, and an interactive reflection time. Come share in good worship, good food, and good community!

Family Summer Choir - Are you around over the summer and interested in singing, then come on by and sing with us! The Family Summer Choir sings on: July 5, July 26, August 16, September 6. We will meet at 8:45AM in the Sanctuary Choir Loft and learn the piece that morning. Not to worry all the tunes are recognizable, and a quick learn! If you have any questions, please email David at dmerrill@woodschurch.org. Looking forward to hearing you sing!

All Aboard! Online registration for Day Camps and VBS Express are now closed. If you need assistance, contact Lindsey Miller or email children@woodschurch.org. More Stories! More Fun!

Save the Date: for the Woods Church Annual Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, November 21, 2026, from 9AM to 1PM. Start gathering donations now! We are looking for new or gently used: children's clothing from toddler to youth size 10, jewelry, books, records, CD's, DVD's, games, puzzles, artwork, toys, musical instruments, dishes, glassware, kitchen utensils, small working appliances, lamps, collectibles, and holiday items. Items that we are unable to accept: baby strollers, children's high-chairs, car seats, cribs, electronics, and furniture. Proceeds from the Bazaar will benefit the Outreach and Service Committee (formally the Missions Ministry) of Woods Church. Questions? Email Pam Blumenthal at mblumenthal1941@gmail.com or Delia Edelmann dedelmann30@gmail.com.

Anne Arundel Connecting Together (ACT) - You're invited to join ACT next **Thursday, June 25th** for a debrief of the primary election results. We will meet from **6:30 to 8:30PM** at Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church in Severna Park. We will reflect on what happened in the election and what we've learned about the candidates through our candidate's forum. We will be deepening our community organizing skills for the next steps of our work together. Please contact Beth Hadley, bbhadley@gmail.com if you would like to attend.



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