

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Monday, May 26: Psalm 93; 1 Chronicles 12:16-22; Revelation 21:5-14

Tuesday, May 27: Psalm 93; 2 Chronicles 15:1-15; Revelation 21:15-22

Wednesday, May 28: Psalm 93; 2 Chronicles 34:20-33; Luke 2:25-38

Thursday, May 29 (*Ascension of the Lord*): Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47;
Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Friday, May 30: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:12-17; Revelation 22:6-9

Saturday, May 31: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:18-23; John 1:14-18

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

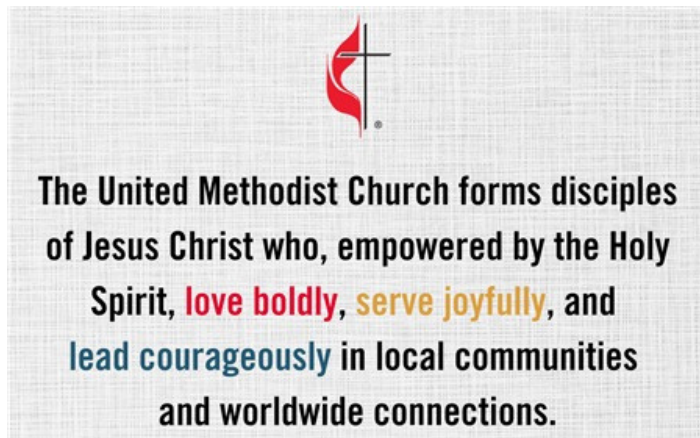
When Lydia hears the gospel, she becomes the first Christian in Europe. Led by the Spirit, Lydia's faith is decisive and her witness is immediate. The word opens her heart in love, and she opens her house in hospitality in service of the gospel. How might Lydia's witness excite your sense of ministry and mission this day? Where might you find someone searching for God's word?

MORNING PRAYER

Holy Spirit, enliven in us a faith and witness like Lydia's, that through deepened prayer we might rise to action in service of the gospel. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

God, it is night and the time for rest has come. We have served you in love this day and for this we give you thanks. Do not leave us comfortless, but send your Spirit to abide with us as we trust in you this night. Amen.



GOBIN BEGINNINGS

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

*Please take the opportunity to fill out the Prayer and Gratitude Card, along with a Connection Card.
You'll be invited to place them in the offering tray later in the service.*

Prelude

Eric Edberg & Claude Cymerman

ENTRANCE

Welcome

Pastor Joel Everson

Call to Worship

Jai Miranda

Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching
says Jesus, teacher of liberation & compassion.

The Holy Caretaker will love them
and we will come to them
and make our home with them.

Come, Siblings in Christ,
Let us devote ourselves to the teachings of Jesus—
welcoming the stranger,
loving our neighbor,
feeding the hungry—
For the Holy longs to make a home with us.

Prayer of the Day

UMH #548

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

Larry Rider

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm



- May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us.
So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation.
- May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity;
the nations on the earth you guide.
- May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you!
May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

Gospel Lesson

John 14:23-29

Silence follows. Then the People stand as they are able.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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After the Gospel, the Pastor says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Prayers of Concern

Lord, send out your Spirit

and renew the face of the earth.

GREENCASTLE SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Greencastle Summer Music Festival Returns for its 21st Season on
Wednesday May 28th at 7:30pm!

Dedicated to "bringing a community together with friends making music
for friends," the festival presents concerts on Wednesday evenings
throughout the summer, educational concerts for children participating in
the Summer Enrichment Program, also hosted by Gobin, and occasional
other events.

Here's the festival's 2025 schedule for May & June:

May 28 — "Friends Making Music for Friends" 21st Season Opening
Variety Show with local performers including Claude Cymerman (piano),
Eric Edberg (cello), Him & Her (singer/songwriters Joel and Tosh
Everson), Bobbie Lancaster (singer/songwriter), Micah Layne (flute),
Cathie Malach (piano) and Janani Sridhar (soprano).

June 4 — Violinist Teagan Faran and flutist Leo Sussman return to
Greencastle, celebrating the release of Teagan's new album "Middle
Child," which highlights the music of in-betweens and celebrates coming
together. Multi-instrumentalist Ben Hogan and cellist Eric Edberg join the
festivities.

Monday, June 6, 7:30 p.m. — Bonus Concert: From Mount Olivet to
the Road to Damascus: A Tour of Chamber Music Inspired by Four Post-
Resurrection Events in the Early Christian Church with violinist Benjamin
Abel and Friends.

June 11 — Nariaki Sugiura, piano, and Simona Barbu, cello.

June 18 — I-Jen Fang joins Percussion Group DePauw.

June 25 — The Vivaldi Project (violin, viola and cello), including former
Greencastle resident Allison Edberg Nyquist, return in a concert
celebrating the 50th anniversary of Lucy and Bill Wieland, sponsored by
the Wielands.

To see the whole list visit www.gobinchurch.org

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you or someone you know is ill, injured, or otherwise in need of prayer or visitation, please fill out a prayer card, or let the pastoral staff or church office know. Jai will work to keep us connected.

Here are members of our Gobin connection who need prayer & comfort at this time:

Bayard Allen, Margot MacCracken, Linda Ruark, Brandie Sitton, Andrea Insley, Ashlee Vitz, Sandy Miller, Katie Isaacs-Bailey, Jim & Windy Watt, Phillip Caldwell, Luke & Sherry DeJaynes, Mitch & Lindsay Merica, Bill Arnold, Kids Hope mentors & students, and the residents of Putnam Co. Jail.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please fill out a prayer request card or send an email to prayers@gobinumc.org

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

You may have noticed the votive candles near the entrance to the sanctuary. We invite you to take one and join Wednesday morning prayer from 7:45-8am wherever you are. If you wish to have a candle, but are not able to come to the church, contact us and we will arrange to have someone bring it to you.

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- Text “Gobin” to 73256
- Online at www.gobin.live/give
- Scan the QR code



THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

Confession & Pardon

**Loving God,
we confess that we are an anxious people
who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word.
Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins,
that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world;
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Passing the Peace

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you!

Offering Invitaiton

Offertory

Eric Edberg & Claude Cymerman

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God, above ye Heavenly Host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Offering Prayer

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the
highest.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Communion Song

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have
given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength
of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.

UMH #428 “For the Healing of the Nations”

SENDING FORTH

Blessing

Postlude

PRESENCE

Your attendance matters. Scan the QR code below to let us know
you're here! It's an excellent way to stay connected to Gobin.



SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Oneing Hour Soul Care w/Jai Miranda

Sundays at 10:00 AM in Peace Chapel

Gobin Supper Club

WILL NOT MEET ON MAY 28TH

See you on June 4th!

STAY CONNECTED

Want to receive our weekly email updates?

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Print communication is important. Email can sometimes be
even better. And occasionally a quick text message is best! If
you'd like to stay “in the loop” and receive text updates about
all things Gobin, text the word “loop” to (765)650-4644.
Make sure to save this number as “Gobin Church”!