



**The United Methodist Church  
of Libertyville  
May 18, 2014  
8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 AM**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

***Today's Scripture Passage***

*John 14:1-14*

**D**o not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.



***A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION***

**PASTORS**

**Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams**

## First Light Service ~ 8:15 am



**Gathering Music**                      “Glorious Celebration”                      C. Dobrinski  
Heritage Bells

**Welcome & Greeting**                      (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)  
We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God’s blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

\* **Opening Hymn**                      “Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us”                      No. 381

### \* Call to Worship

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People He has given us new life and hope.  
He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

Leader God has claimed us as his own.

**People He has brought us out of darkness.  
He has made us light to the world.**

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\* **Musical Prayer**                      “He Is Lord”                      No. 177  
He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

### Quiet Reflection and Prayer

#### The Lord’s Prayer

**Scripture Reading**                      John 14:1-14

**Sermon**                      “Finding Our Way”                      Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

**Offering / Offertory**                      “Abide With Me”                      C. Mokebust  
Heritage Bells with Andrea West, flute

\* Doxology                      “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”                      No. 94

\* Prayer of Dedication

**Celebration of Holy Communion**                      UM Hymnal page 13  
Gluten free wafers are available in the center tray.

\* **Closing Hymn**                      “How Firm a Foundation”                      No. 529

### \* Benediction

### Postlude



\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

## *Traditional Service ~ 9:30 am*



**Greetings & Announcements** (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)  
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**Prelude** "Glorious Celebration" C. Dobrinski  
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### **Unison Prayer**

**We thank you, God, for raising Jesus Christ to new life, to live among us forever. We thank you for the new life you offer us, that hope, not fear, and love, not coldness, may rule our lives. May we know the risen Christ among us today, through the power of your Spirit, Amen.**

**First Scripture Reading** 1 Peter 2:2-10 Susie Dicello

**Children's Message** Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

**Anthem** "Christ Is the King" D. Busarow  
Adult Choir

### **Sharing Our Joys and Concerns\*\***

### **Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

**\* Hymn** "Be Still, My Soul" No. 534

**Second Scripture Reading** John 14:1-14

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\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

\*\* Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the sanctuary. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you!

<b>Sermon</b>	"Finding Our Way"	Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams
<b>Offering / Offertory</b>	"Abide With Me"	C. Moglebust
	Heritage Bells with Andrea West, flute	
* Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"	No. 94
* Prayer of Dedication		
<b>* Closing Hymn</b>	"How Firm a Foundation"	No. 529
<b>* Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	"Allegro"	H. Schroeder



***A Warm Welcome to All!***

*We are delighted to have all of you sharing with us in worship! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (joycebedell@sbcglobal.net), for more information about our church family. All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing from 9:00-11:00 AM. We look forward to seeing you there.*



*The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of Irma Petersen by her family.*

*Many thanks to the following people for helping with our services this morning:*

**Sound Tech:** Connor and Zach Clausen

**Greeters:** (9:30) Sue and Bob Hamilton

**Acolytes:** (9:30) Grace Clausen, Abbey McFarland

**May Ushers:** (8:15) Judy Awe, Larry Corrigan, Clem Vath

(9:30) Dan Joyce, Rob Kilmer, Bob Kowal,

Chris Skinner, Wes Swearingin, Karl Taylor, Jean Turner

**Coffee Fellowship:** (9:00—11:00) Please join us for coffee and refreshments served in Fellowship Hall and hosted by United Methodist Women.

## Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 am



### Countdown

#### Welcome & Announcements

We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

\* Song "Beautiful One" Hughes

\* Song "Love the Lord" Brewster

Special Music "Ask God for Help" & "Be Strong" Joyful Noise Choir

Children's Message Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

\* Song "Forever Reign" Morgan

Scripture 1 Peter 2:2-10

#### Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture John 14:1-14

Sermon "Finding Our Way" Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

\* Closing Song "Mighty to Save" Morgan

#### \* Benediction



**Children are welcome in worship.** We enjoy having kids with us in worship but there is also a special program for them called *Kids Own Worship* that takes place following the Children's Message. For those who wish, nursery care is available for infants and toddlers during the service in Room 100.

**The Offering we give** is both an act of thanks and faith – a way to offer back to God some of the blessings we have received and a response of trust that God will take care of us as we rely upon him. You are invited to place your gifts in the Offering Plate on the back table as you leave.

**Please fill in the registration sheet** that is passed around so you will be kept informed about what's happening at the church. Remember to include your email address.

**We welcome you to Holy Communion** to experience the grace and love of God. We celebrate Communion on the first Sunday of the month. All who are seeking the grace of God through the presence of Jesus Christ are welcome to the table.

**Worship Team:** Julie Bakus, Woody Bedell, Jeff Brown, Jeff Davis, Jeanette Frisbey, Tim Tonon, Jamie Twedell

**Multimedia Coordinators:** Mark & Janet Mason

**Refreshments:** Jeanette Frisbey

## UMCL News & Notes ~ May 18, 2014

**SPECIAL OFFERING TODAY—Imagine NO Malaria!** Our Bishop and Annual Conference have set the goal of raising one million dollars to help eradicate malaria in Africa. Every dollar donated will be used to save lives, especially the lives of mothers and children who are most vulnerable to this deadly but preventable disease. Please consider giving to this important initiative. Envelopes are available in the pews today or you can note on your check, "No Malaria." Thank you.

**TOOLS NEEDED for ASP—**Appalachian Service Project is our Youth Mission Trip to serve people in Appalachia by helping to rebuild and restore their homes. As the group prepares to head down to Morgan County, Tennessee on June 7, we could use YOUR help. Here is a **list of tools** we would like to borrow from you. We promise to return them! Please label your tool with duct tape and your name written on it so we can get it back to you. Tools can be dropped off in the ASP bin in the office. We need at least 5 of each of the following items, by **June 4** please: Putty knives, utility knives, sandpaper, paint rollers, paint brushes, paint tarp, roller extensions, scrapers, pick, shovel, crow bars/wrecking bars, chisels, 2 prong electrical adapter, extension cords, sharpened hand saw, screw drivers, pliers, levels, squares, chalk line, tin snips, drill & bits, staple guns, staples.

**APPRECIATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL RUMMAGE SALE!** A sincere thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make the Spring Rummage Sale such a wonderful success. UMW's gross profits were about \$10,000. After expenses are paid, the remaining funds will be distributed among several of the Church's mission projects. The next Rummage Sale will be Friday and Saturday, October 10-11. Once again we will be asking for your time and talents. Please mark your calendars for the week of October 5-11. Some of us have already started a new rummage-sale box at home!

—Beth March and Barb Plohr, Co-chairs

**TEACHER THANK YOU—**As the 2013-2014 school year comes to a close, we would like to take time to thank our teachers. Anyone who has taught Sunday School or Kids Own Worship this past school year is invited to a **Teacher Appreciation Sunday on June 8th**. We will recognize our teachers during the 2nd and 3rd services and also provide a special coffee celebration in their honor at 10:30 AM. Please join us!

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL—**Sunday School teachers are needed for May through August! Since people are busy with summer travel, we are changing our teaching commitment to a week at a time. This means we need A LOT of volunteers! Please sign up to help for a few Sundays this summer on the bulletin board outside of the nursery.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!** Registration is now open for **VBS ~ July 14 - 18!** Children, pre-school age to 5th grade are invited to come and experience a week of **Weird Animals!** Where kids learn how Jesus' love is one of a kind! Registration forms are available in the church office or on our website [www.umcl.org/vbs](http://www.umcl.org/vbs). \*Volunteers needed!

**PRISCILLA CIRCLE** will meet **Tuesday, May 20th at 9:30 AM** in the Fellowship Hall. Mary Ann Burson will give us a report from the UMW assembly that she recently attended. All are welcome. For more information, call Shirley Mason at 847-362-0523.

**RUTH CIRCLE** meets on Wednesday evening, **May 21, at 7:00 PM** at the home of Nancy Grange-Sullivan (17309 Westwind Dr., Gurnee, 847-553-4440). Dessert will be served, then Jeff Welch, who organizes the Adult Mission Trips, will report on this spring's trip to Waynesville, Missouri. Come join us, hear the stories and maybe you'll decide to go on a trip too!

### HOW ARE WE DOING?

As of May 15, 2014

	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
<b>Offerings/Revenues</b>	\$20,380.05	\$311,134.22
<b>Expenses</b>	\$28,299.08	\$329,131.59
<b>Difference</b>	(\$7,919.03)	(\$17,997.37)

Your generous giving throughout the year helps reduce the gap between income and expenses, bringing us closer to our goal of balanced financial results.

Thank you for your continued support !

## UMCL News & Notes Continued

**JUNE YOUNG COUPLES**—Come for bowling on **Friday, June 6, at 7:00 PM** at Brunswick Vernon Hills, with ice cream at Dairy Queen or Cold Stone to follow. RSVP to [julieballing@gmail.com](mailto:julieballing@gmail.com) or 847-986-6081.

**NEW LEADERSHIP NEEDED FOR PRIME TIME MINISTRY**—Priscilla Mortland will soon be leaving as she moves to her new home, so we need to find someone to take over her duties, or ideally two people, to begin serving by July. Responsibilities include: Plan for the program each month, arrange for volunteers to host the lunch, and prepare invitation postcards and notices for Memos. Please contact Priscilla for details or let the office know if you are interested. Thank You!

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS!** We would like to recognize you in the bulletin and/or in person on **Sunday, June 22**, for your big accomplishment... graduating! Please call or email the church office **by Wednesday, June 11**, if you would like your name printed and/or will be in one of the services on Sunday, June 22. If you are graduating from college, please also tell us where you are graduating from and the degree obtained. We would love to share this accomplishment with you. Congratulations again!

**STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE**—We must not only give what we have, we must also give what we are. If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please call Kevin Garren (847-816-7374), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.

**ALL COMMITTEES, GROUPS, LEADERS**—Please check your church web pages for outdated information. Please email changes needed and/or new pages wanted to Valerie at [Valerie.umcl@gmail.com](mailto:Valerie.umcl@gmail.com). Be sure to include the link of the page(s) you are referencing. Our website is only as good as the materials/information we include and keep updated. Thank you in advance.

**PADS SEASON HAS ENDED—NOW WHAT CAN YOU DO?** You could help wash the PADS blankets over the summer! Volunteers are needed to take 2-3 blankets home and wash them, returning them to church in late summer. Blankets will be out in Fellowship Hall for anyone to take home. Thanks in advance for your laundering help!

**PADS SUMMER LUNCHESES**—Our season for providing shelter for the homeless has ended, but we still provide **40 lunches on the second Tuesday** of each month during the summer (May—September). These lunches can be provided by a group, a couple of families working together, a class, etc. Please contact Cathy O'Brien (847-367-8062) for more information or to sign-up for a date. Thank you!

**SECOND MILE GIVING FOR MAY WILL SUPPORT 1) Bethany Terrace Dementia Care Center.** This residential center, part of the Bethany Methodist Communities, provides high quality, compassionate and holistic care for those with Alzheimer's and other dementias. The center also provides family education, support groups, and outreach to local churches and community organizations. Located in the Chicago area and therefore part of the Northern Illinois Conference, their program is nationally recognized. For additional information on this and other Bethany Terrace programs, please go to [www.bethanyterrace.org](http://www.bethanyterrace.org) or contact them at 847-965-8100. **2) Mother/Child Survival.** The goal of this UMCOR project is to reduce both infant and maternal mortality by providing education in the areas of nutrition, oral rehydration, immunization, and growth monitoring. This program has over 20 years of proven success globally. Additional information can be found in the Projects area of the UMCOR website: [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org).

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** meet every Sunday morning and are glad to welcome new members! Cornerstone Class, studying *30 Life Principles* by Dr. Stanley, meets 8:00-9:15 AM in Fellowship Hall C, led by Dave LeValley ([drlevally@gmail.com](mailto:drlevally@gmail.com)). Explorer Class meets 9:15-10:30 AM in Room 101, led by Woody Bedell ([lwbbedell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lwbbedell@sbcglobal.net)). The group studying Chip Ingram's *God's Blueprint for Biblical Parenting* meets 9:30-10:30 AM in the New Room, led by Jason and Julie Holdeman ([julieballing@gmail.com](mailto:julieballing@gmail.com)). The group studying John Ortberg's *When the Game Is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box* meets for their final class this morning, 9:30-10:30 AM in Fellowship Hall B, but is considering another Ortberg study for the fall. This class is led by Ron Campbell ([campbell.ronald@comcast.net](mailto:campbell.ronald@comcast.net)). Take advantage of one of these great opportunities to grow in faith and community!

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, May 18, 2014

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class  
8:15 AM—First Light Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-5 years)  
9:00 AM—Coffee Time  
9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class  
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)  
9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages  
(Children begin in service and leave  
after Children's Message)  
10:30 AM—Coffee Time  
10:40 AM—Children's Choir  
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)  
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (Children begin in  
service and leave after Children's Message)

### Monday, May 19, 2014

7:00 PM—Spiritual Disciplines Class  
7:00 PM—Boy Scout Troop #72

### Tuesday, May 20, 2014

9:30 AM—Priscilla Circle  
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—Troop #72 Committee  
7:00 PM—TNT (Senior High Group) @ Ben's

### Wednesday, May 21, 2014

9:00 AM—Staff Meeting  
9:00 AM—MEMOS  
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina  
9:45 AM—Faith Study  
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study  
7:00 PM—UMW Interfaith Committee  
7:00 PM—Jr. High SYNERGY  
7:00 PM—Ruth Circle (off site)  
7:30 PM—Capital Campaign Committee

### Thursday, May 22, 2014

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's  
7:30 PM—Adult Choir  
7:30 PM—Disciple 2 Bible Study

### Friday, May 23, 2014

6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum

### Saturday, May 24, 2014

8:00 AM—Men's Study  
8:30 AM—Praise Band

### Sunday, May 25, 2014

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class  
8:15 AM—First Light Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-5 years)  
9:00 AM—Coffee Time  
9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class  
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)  
9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages  
(Children begin in service and leave  
after Children's Message)  
10:30 AM—Coffee Time  
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service  
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)  
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (Children begin in  
service and leave after Children's Message)

### Monday, May 26, 2014

Memorial Day—Office Closed

### Tuesday, May 27, 2014

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth  
11:00 AM—Toddler Play Group  
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—Faithful Threads  
7:00 PM—Worship Committee  
7:00 PM—TNT (Senior High Group) @ Ben's

### Wednesday, May 28, 2014

9:00 AM—Staff Meeting  
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina  
9:45 AM—Faith Study  
7:00 PM—Resource Committee  
7:00 PM—Jr. High SYNERGY

### Thursday, May 29, 2014

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's  
7:30 PM—Adult Choir  
7:30 PM—Disciple 2 Bible Study

### Friday, May 30, 2014

### Saturday, May 31, 2014

8:00 AM—Men's Study  
8:00 AM—United Methodist Men  
8:30 AM—Praise Band  
11:00 AM—Winchester House Chaplaincy Com.

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