

**Reach One More For Jesus!**  
**Ascension Sunday**  
**May 29, 2022**

†Congregation rises in body or spirit  
 Congregational response in bold

**GATHERING MUSIC** Thelma Downey

**MEDITATIVE THOUGHT** Kathy Bainter  
*Wait to be clothed with power from on high. The One Who ascended will come to us again, bringing new life and new hope.*

**PRELUDE** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Thelma Downey  
 by Robert Robinson

**WELCOMING FRIENDS and NEWCOMERS** Kathy Bainter  
 We ask that you please sign the attendance book, then pass it to the middle aisle. If you are here this morning as a guest, please include your address and phone number, so that we can reach out to you and extend our welcome.

**WELCOME and PASSING OF THE PEACE** Pastor Tom

**MINISTRY MOMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS** Kathy Bainter

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Kathy Bainter

L: Praise the Lord, all the people!  
**P: For our Savior has been raised on high!**  
 L: Jesus Christ, who was crucified and has risen from the dead  
**P: Now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**  
 L: Jesus will come again, bringing the fullness of God’s kingdom.  
**P: Praise be to our Lord! Amen.**

†**OPENING HYMN** “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” Hymnal #154  
 vs. 1, 3, 5, 6

†**OPENING PRAYER** Kathy Bainter  
**God of mystery, part the veil that keeps us from seeing Your full glory and might. Open our eyes to behold the risen Christ, Who ascended to You in glory. Open our hearts this day, that our spirits may ascend to You as He ascended that day. Focus our thoughts on the power of Your salvation, that we may move beyond the mundane to contemplate mysteries and wonders worthy of our meditations. May we be found worthy of Your great gifts, and may we be clothed with Your power on high. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Kathy Bainter  
 Luke 24:44-53 NRSV  
 44Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”  
 The Ascension of Jesus  
 50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

One: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE** “LIFTING UP AND FLYING AWAY!” Pastor Tom

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR and PEOPLE** Pastor Tom  
 Children in Prayer (After all slides: In Your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer)  
 Sharing Our Joys and Concerns  
 Silent Prayer

**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 BACK TO GOD (TITHES AND GIFTS)**

**MASON JAR MINISTRY**

**OFFERTORY** “Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire” Thelma Downey  
 by Kevin Uppercue

†**DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Kathy Bainter  
**Your power and might, O God, bring forth our worship and praise. Your love and mercy, Compassionate One, call forth our gratefulness and thanksgiving. In appreciation for Your blessing in our lives, we offer You these gifts from our hearts, this fruit of our industry. Receive them, we pray, in the Name of the One Who ascended to heaven, that our lives here on earth might be filled with Your Spirit. Amen.**

†**CLOSING HYMN** “I Love to Tell the Story” Hymnal #156

†**BENEDICTION** Pastor Tom  
 (Please remain in your pew while the pastor and worship team process)

**POSTLUDE** “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” Thelma Downey  
 by Tom Birchwood

**In Ministry:**  
 Pastor Tom Tran  
 Rev. Dr. Siosaia Tu’itahi East District Superintendent  
 Bishop Grant Hagiya , California-Pacific Annual Conference

**Cheerfully Serving the Lord in Worship this Morning...**  
**Liturgist:** Kathy Bainter **Head Usher:** Jack Holstad **Assisted by:** Penny Holstad, Dick Carris, Sandra Glickman, Ron Glickman Carol Hull and Sonya Moore **Greeters:** Yvonne Adams & Kathy Bainter **Organist:** Thelma Downey **Sound Technician/Video Technician:** Tiffany Douglas



Coffee & refreshments have resumed after worship service. We are asking for volunteers to serve and bring refreshments. If you volunteer, you must also stay to serve and to clean up. The sign up sheet is located on the Narthex lectern.

An important thing to remember is that the coffee will be made ahead of time by Penny Holstad, and the church provides creamer, sugar, coffee, tea and lemonade and will provide all paper goods (volunteers will make the tea & lemonade that is provided). If you signed up on a coffee and refreshments day, please provide a snack of either fruit, pastries, cheese and crackers. This will be a work-in-progress for the first few months.

Thanks for your help.



Next Sunday, June 5th, is Pentecost Sunday. Don't forget to wear red to church to celebrate. The color red symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. It could be a shirt, a tie, a blouse, a dress, a skirt, a scarf, a necklace. See you in church!



Please remember to pick up your Tower Tidings today after service. Our electronic newsletter has been sent by email to those who have requested an electronic version. If you would like to receive our electronic version, please send an email to [banningumc@aol.com](mailto:banningumc@aol.com) with "newsletter" in the subject line. If you would like a printed version, please call the office.



MAY 31st DIANE DOSER  
 JUNE 2nd TOM TRAN  
 JUNE 4th BOB GLIDEWELL  
 JUNE 5th DON & TERRY FOSTER



**Sunday, May 29th Mason Jar Sunday**  
 9:15 AM Sunday School - Office Lounge  
 10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service

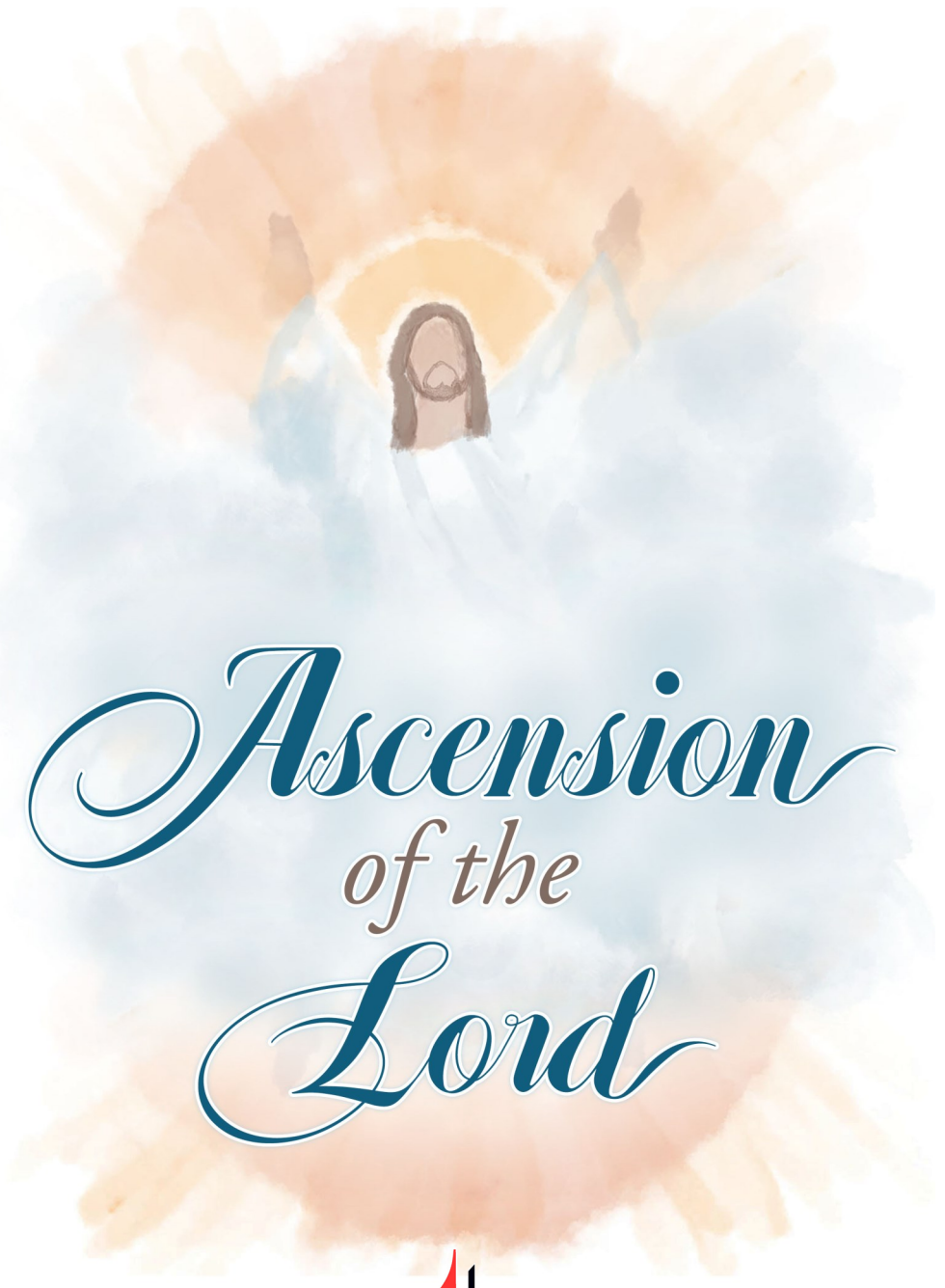
**Tuesday, June 1st**  
 9:00 AM The Gathering - Office Lounge

**Friday, June 3rd**  
 10:00 AM UMW - Office Lounge

**Sunday, June 5th Pentecost Sunday**  
 9:15 AM Sunday School - Office Lounge  
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## IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Margaret Aarung	SGT Matt Harker	Betty Neese
Sékou T. Billings	Donna Hensley	Dennis Phielman
Tracy Boop	Olga Hernandez	Sonia Presley
Barbara Brinton	Rita Heslop	David Pieksma
Nancy Brown	Jack & Penny Holstad	Craig Pieksma
Lois Butler	Rev. Dave & Amie Horning	Emma Poole
CJ Cannavo	Jill Hughes	Marguerite Priestees
Salena Case	Fran Hull	Jennifer Ratliff & Family
Alan Curry	Mackenzie Hurley	Craig Rusk
Robert Curry	Sallie Hurley	Jim & Eve Rusk
DeWitt Family	Carleen Jerrel	SSGT Ryan Savely
SGT 1st David Dimattio	JoAnne Jesson	CPT Brock Schnute
Justin Dominguez & Family	MAJ Mark Jones	Jennifer Sofie
Zach Echternkamp	Carol Kelly	Robert Staley
Nathan Field	Fern Koehnemann	Patti Stewart
Olga Figueroa	Debbie & Chris McDonald	SFC Korey Stillion
Dean Fisher	Dan Mabey	
Carleen Fiske	Shirley Majors	Remember, if you have a
Alma Jo Fultz	Don & Marsy Maraska	loved one's name on the
Ana Maria Fultz	Nahla Marine	prayer list that can now be
Gailey Family	Jack Menzia	removed, please call the
Bob Glidewell	Bob Messick	office, 849-3413.
Rosie Griffin	SSGT Lance Miller	
Jim Grim	Jackie Miller	If you need to put a name
Tenise Hajali	Ginny Mills	on the Prayer Chain
John Hammersla	Gloria Miranda	immediately, please call
Sharilyn Hansen	Aaron Murg	Diane Doser, 769-9087.



# Ascension of the Lord



Banning United Methodist Church would like to welcome any newcomers joining us in worship this morning! We hope our worship service touches your heart and that you feel the presence of the Lord. If you have any questions about our church, please call the church office at 849-3413. May God bless your day, and we hope you will worship with us again!

***Banning United Methodist Church: Mission Statement***  
*Our mission is to serve and share the Love of God by developing personal faith through Jesus Christ and by promoting the unity of believers; membership in His family; and, Christian service through acts of justice, mercy and loving obedience in the church and in the community.*



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