

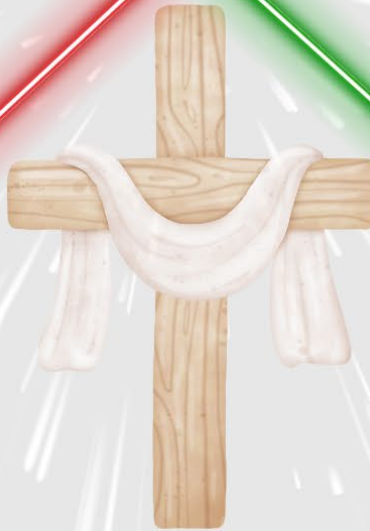


BROOK HILL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**AS NUMEROUS
AS THE STARS**

GENESIS 17:1-5, 26:2-4, ISAIAH 11:1-5 NIV

MAY 4, 2025



PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Dr. Dana Werts, Lead Pastor

Rev. Kathy Altman, Associate Pastor

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WELCOME, WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

Informal Worship – 9:00am

Song of Welcome

Welcome and Connection Points

Ministry Minute ~ ASP Funding- Kathleen Rogers

Opening Prayer

Songs of Praise

Children's Message ~ Kathleen Rogers

Prayer Time

(Anyone is welcome to come forward and kneel at the rail)

Giving to God

Scripture ~ Genesis 17:1-5, 26:2-4, Isaiah 11:1-5 NIV~ Tim Leber

Message ~As Numerous As The Stars ~ Pastor Kathy

Holy Communion

Song of Sending

Blessing

Our worship service has ended. Our service of worship begins.

Thank you for continuing to be faithful in giving to support the ministries of Brook Hill! We couldn't do it without you! We are partnering with God, investing in God's kingdom work, and reaping the blessing of generosity as we experience the faithfulness of God to provide all we need to be the Church of Jesus Christ.

Thank you to all those who excel in this grace of giving!



For those who prefer, Electronic Giving is available by texting "brookhillgive" to 833-245-6424, on our webpage, QR code, or your offering can be mailed in.

Traditional Worship 11am

* ***Stand as you are able***

Prelude "Recitative and Aria" (Wayne L. Wold (b.1954)) *Peg Bruckart*

Welcome and Connection Points *Pastor Dana*

Ministry Minute "ASP Fundraising" *Kathleen Rogers*

* **Call to Worship** *Pastor Dana*

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good.

People: May the Lord give strength to the people!

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good.

People: God is our refuge and strength.

* **Hymn #2002 TFWS "I Will Call upon the Lord"**

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, at times we find ourselves distracted by our fear, our insecurity, and our struggle to put you first in our lives and trust that you will always be there for us. Forgive us. Help us to seek you first in all things, knowing you are watching over us and walking with us. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Message *Kathleen Rogers*

(Please join in singing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children leave)

Hymn "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

The Bible tells me so.

Special Music "Midnight Cry" (Charles & Greg Taylor) *Debbie Linthicum*

Pastoral Prayer and **Lord's Prayer**

(Anyone is welcome to come forward and kneel at the rail)

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.

Offering Invitation

Offertory "I've Got Peace Like a River" (trad. Arr. Phillip Keveren) *Peg Bruckart Harmon*

* **Doxology Hymn #95 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

* Offering Prayer

* **Hymn #451 "Be Thou My Vision"**

Scripture Genesis 17:1-5, 26:2-4, Isaiah 11:1-5 NIV *Randy Werts*

Genesis 17:1-5 NIV

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers." Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. No longer will you be called Abram; Your name will be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations.

Genesis 26:2-4 NIV

The Lord appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham. I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed.

Isaiah 11:1-5 NIV

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him- the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, and he will delight in the fear of the Lord. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

Message "As Numerous as the Stars"

Pastor Kathy

Holy Communion

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* **Hymn #140** "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

* Blessing

* Postlude "Toccata" (Wayne L. Wold) Peg Bruckart

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The Gary Hicks Fund

During our 175th Anniversary Service on April 27, the Community Mission Fund was officially renamed The Gary Hicks Fund. This fund is used to help our neighbors in Frederick County who are facing a financial crisis. Over the years it has assisted many people, particularly families and the elderly in our neighborhoods.

Pastor Gary Hicks served as the Outreach Pastor at Brook Hill for many years and had a heart for the poor. He was a gifted musician, preacher, and artist, a man of integrity and a Kingdom builder. He had a passion for the homeless and marginalized.

Beginning in June, on communion Sundays, we will take a special collection to help maintain this fund in order to continue to serve our neighbors in need in our community. An offering plate will be placed at the front to collect your donations in memory of Pastor Gary.

Jesus said, "Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me." (Matthew 28:40)

