

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-5:00  
Closed Friday**

**Pastor, Amanda Crice**

Monday 9:00 - 3:30; Tues. study out of the office; Wednesday & Thursday 9:00-4:00  
Friday or Saturday: Sabbath depending on the ministry needs of the week.

**Discipleship & Spiritual Formation Director, Karastin Hancock**

Monday, Wed. & Thurs. 9:00-4:00  
Tuesday work out of the office  
Friday or Saturday: Sabbath depending on the ministry needs of the week

**Director of Music & Worship Arts, Chrissy Hamilton**

Monday & Wednesday 8:00-2:00  
Sunday Worship 10:00

**Pastor of Students & Nurture, Bryant Fisher**

Monday 8:30-4:00, Tues. 9:00-4:00  
Wed. & Thurs. 7:30-2:30, Friday Sabbath

**Director of Children, Jennifer Vincent**

Monday 8:00-5:00 (ROOTS 3:00-5:00)  
Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00-11:00

**Financial Secretary, Kathy Smith,**  
Wednesday 8:30-4:00

**Administrative Assistant, Judy Mehan**  
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs 8:00-5:00

**Building & Grounds Supervisor, Ken Hogan**  
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Friday 7:30-4:00

**Chancel Choir Director, Robert Mancusi**

**Minister of Visitation, Bro. Randy Cooper**

**2024 Council Chair: Claire Wade**  
**Lay Leader: Andy Lewter**  
**Worship Chair: Vicki Smith**  
**Nurture Chair: Caroline Ideus**  
**Serve Chair: Mary Margaret Chester**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER CONCERNS:** *We ask for your prayers and continued prayers for these we know of. Several more have asked us to keep their situations private. If God places someone's name on your heart, please consider sending a note or giving them a call.*

**Ongoing Concerns:** General Conference. Mary Beard. Amanda Jackson. Tom Gallien. Bill Porter. David Reed. Don Clements. Ryan Martin. Bobby Wright. Donna Webb. Dee Cannon. Wally Crider. Leslie Morris. Mack Thorton. Glenda Nanney. Linda Davis. Helmut Wenz. Magen, Braden and Jase Cooper. People in Israel and Palestine. Jean Vincent. Steve Mohler. Patsy Coates. Dale Overton. Dotsie Clifton. Bishop McAlilly. Marion Pitts. Jim & Jane Rea. Bella Mancusi. Rosemary Capers. Betty Henderson. Diane Broughton. Chris Smith. Donna Flynt. Pat Page. Paula Moore. Gail Smith. Kay Carroll. Peggy & Will King. Linda Hall. Marilucile Counce. Janice Noble. Keath Turner. Sarah Byars. Kristin Havener's son, Kaden. Jim & Gina Johnson. Gail Beard Yates. Janiece Peeler. Frances Brewer. Chris Bowman. Alan Moody. Bob Smith. District Superintendents Stephen Handy & Nancy Varden. We Care Ministries. UTM Wesley. Dresden UMC.

**Prayers for Friends and Relatives:** Dee Cannon's friends, Amy Garner and the Ron Powers family. Kathy Smith's mother, Jonell. Dave Politte's son, Carrington Politte. Jeff Stockton's dad, Sam Stockton. Susan Kilgas' friend, Sandi Spragins. Phil Wade's father, Jesse Wade. Jen Galey's mother, Janet Flynn. Mary Beard's friend, Jo Bargaenquast. Allison Stockton's father, Ronnie Albright. Courtney Haley's friend's father, Brad Byars. Traci Bowlin's cousin, Kelly. Chris Bowman's father. Kim Turner's mother, Wilda Simmons. Dave Politte's brother, Alan. Kayci Borden' father, Gary Henline. Michael Johnson's aunt, Jennifer Johnson. Janice Noble's sister, Peggy. Roger Johnson's mother. Crawford & Nancy Gallimore. Amy Todd Brown. Renee LaFleur and Ricky Garlitz. Kristy Shumake's mother, Brenda Dublin. Rosemary Coleman's daughter-in-law's mother, Joyce Ashe. David Murphy. Peggy King's son-in-law, George Frels and friend, Leslie Justice.



**Martin First United Methodist Church**  
**Worship, Nurture and Serve in Love**  
**Sixth Sunday after Easter**  
**May 5, 2024**

## ENTRANCE

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Pastor Bryant

**PRELUDE** Roger Johnson

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

**OPENING PRAYER** Lee Pritchett

**OPENING HYMN** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* 57

**APOSTLES CREED** Lisa Trogdon

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Lee Pritchett

**SCRIPTURE** Acts 8:26-40

**ACT OF PRAISE** *All Night, All Day* Choir

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Pastor Bryant

**SERMON** Karastin Hancock

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Pastor Amanda

**SPIRITUAL PRACTICE** *The Essence of Compassion*

## OFFERING

*Offering steward: Nick Dunagan*

## DOXOLOGY

## THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

## HOLY COMMUNION

## SENDING FORTH

HYMN

*Blest be the Ties that Bind*

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## BENEDICTION

**We grieve with** Shantelle Gilliam and family upon the death of her mother, JoAnn Brown. Our prayers are with the family of Sabrina Snider upon her death. We grieve with Michaela Major and Marcus upon the stillborn birth of their daughter.

## HAPPENINGS

**TODAY** after service there will be a **training session** in the youth room for all Dayshore Church Camp youth volunteers.

**TODAY** is the deadline if you'd like to contribute to **United Women in Faith's** global missions for Mother's Day in honor or memory of your mother or special person. Place a completed pink slip with your donation of \$5 or more in the offering basket or office.

All women are invited to **United Women in Faith's Spring Dinner** 6:00 pm Tuesday, May 14, in the fellowship hall. Delores Smith, District UWF past president, is the guest speaker. RSVP by May 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTS (the Boundless Work of the Spirit) books** are available for \$15 in the office.

Looking for an opportunity to serve your church with a smile? **Nursery workers** are desperately needed. Contact the church office, Jennifer Vincent or Lindy Johnson ASAP.

**Christ-centered people who worship God, nurture disciples,  
and serve our neighbors with love.**

Join us every Thursday at 6:00 pm for **The Vineyard**, cultural and faith discussions at Beau Monde Vineyard, 1300 Pleasant Hill Rd. Martin.

Join us to see **"Come From Away"** musical at the Carson Center on June 30<sup>th</sup>. May 13 is the deadline to purchase a \$60 ticket. We'll take the church bus.



### Children's Library

**Jesus Listens: 365 Prayers for Kids** and **The Biggest Best Light** In memory of Sabrina Snider;  
**Congratulations to our High School Graduates! First Word Heroes: David** in honor of Gabe Gilliam; **First Word Heroes: Miriam** in honor of Bella Mancusi; **First Word Heroes: Esther** in honor of Kate Stroh

### Calendar

#### Sunday, May 5

11:15 Dayshore Volunteer Training/youth rm.  
11:30 Serve Committee/parlor  
4:00 SPRC/parlor  
5:00 Youth

#### Wednesday, May 8

9:30 Bazaar Workshop  
5:30 Disciple 1 & 2  
7:00 Choir/choir room

#### Thursday, May 9

6:00 The Vineyard Cultural & Faith  
Discussions/Beau Monde Vineyard

### United Women in Faith Prayer Calendar

#### Mission Focus—USA

Urbana, Illinois—Cunningham Children's Home

#### Mission Focus—International

Asuncion, Paraguay—Jo Phillips Methodist  
Daycare Center

### Memorials & Honorariums

#### Honoring and remembering those we love...

**Budget in memory of** Angie Damron, Bob & Betty Cheeseman, Harold Clifton, Sabrina Snider  
**Building Fund in memory of** Angie Damron  
**Choir Fund in memory of** Harry Henderson, Angie Damron  
**Dayshore Church Camp in memory of** Angie Damron  
**Youth Fund in memory of** Angie Damron, Class of 2024