

Fifth Sunday Of Easter May 3, 2026

PRELUDE "The Church's One Foundation" arr. J. Ray

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Easter people, in the midst of our questions and doubts, Jesus answers:

People: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Leader: In the midst of our worry and distress, Jesus assures us:

People: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Leader: In the midst of misinformation, confusion, and distrust, Jesus reminds us:

People: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Leader: In the midst of dead ends and impossible challenges, Jesus shows us:

People: I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Leader: Come, let us worship as we learn to follow Christ, our way, our truth, and our life

People: Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2025.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above" UMH 126

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH as we sing:
Jesus loves you this I know, for the Bible tells me so, little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves you! Yes, Jesus loves you. Yes, Jesus loves you! The Bible tells me so. UMH 191

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 2:2-10 NT – page 219

ANTHEM (11 A.M.) "Come Share The Lord" arr. Tabell
Chancel Choir

SERMON "We Are Living Stones" Reverend Julia Alliger

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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SHARING OF FORGIVENESS

SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

THE WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory "Be Still My Soul" arr. J. Ray

* DOXOLOGY No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia!
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts! Praise
the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

CLOSING PRAYER

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.

*CLOSING HYMN "One Bread, One Body" UMH 620

VISITORS

Welcome to Long Memorial
United Methodist Church!

We are glad that God guided
you to be a part of our worship
today.

___ First time visitor

___ New in the community

___ Would you like to
receive our newsletter?

(Place this in the offering plate
or give to the Pastor)

Please share your contact
information so we may
welcome you and fulfill your
requests.

Name(s):

Address:

Phone:

Email Address:

May we visit you? _____

___ I need prayer regarding

_____ (be specific)

___ I know someone who needs prayer

(your name)

___ I need a call/visit from the Pastor

___ I would like to become a member of Long Memorial UMC

Name:

Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6

(Place this in the offering plate or give to the Pastor)

*BENEDICTION

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*POSTLUDE "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" arr. J. Ray

*Please Stand As You Are Able

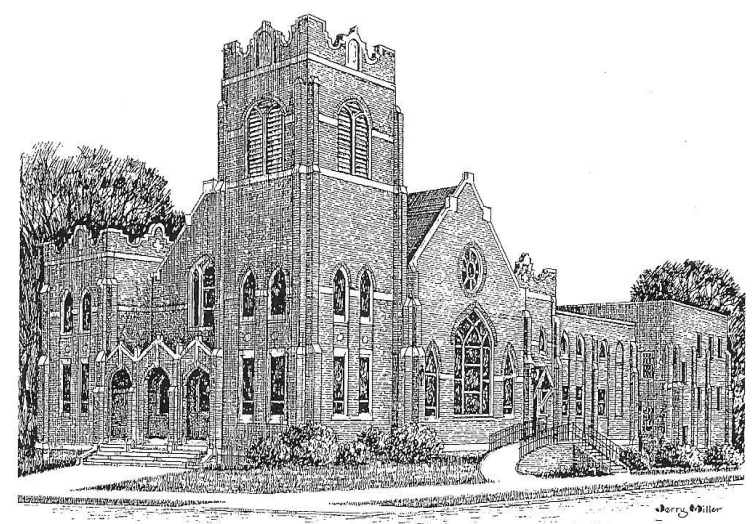
THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God by the Distinguished Young Women of Roxboro program.

THIS WEEK AT LONG MEMORIAL UMC:
Tuesday: 5:00 P.M. – Billie Oakley – Harris Hall
Sunday: 8:45 A.M. – Early Church – Chapel
11:00 A.M. – Worship Service - Sanctuary

PRAYER LIST: Todd Rhodes, Ron Priestaf

A nursery (located in front of the church office) is available. Parents – please set your phones on vibrate and leave your cell number with our nursery staff so that if you are needed they will be able to get in touch with you.

Church Staff:
Rev. Ed Priestaf, Pastor
Charles Higgins, Director of Music
Peggy Wade, Church Secretary
Pam Day, Preschool Director
Autumn Gentry, Children & Youth Ministries Director
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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.
John 3:16

*Our Mission Is To Make Disciples Of Jesus
For The Transformation Of The World*

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made
People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
We welcome you to Long Memorial United Methodist Church! It is our sincere desire that your worship time with us will be enjoyable and edifying. If you are interested in learning more about our community, please see the "visitor" section of this bulletin.