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Congers United Methodist Church

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*Bishop Alfred Johnson, Pastor*

**Sunday Worship**  
**June 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**  
Third Sunday after Pentecost



**Bold** responses read in unison

\*Stand in body or spirit

**ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:**

Come, people of God—Pentecost is not over.  
The Holy Spirit is still moving, still filling, still sending.

**People:**

**We gather because the Spirit keeps calling us to serve joyously.**

**Leader:**

The wind that rushed through the upper room  
still blows through every community hungry for justice.

**People:**

**The fire that rested on the disciples  
still ignites hearts willing to love boldly.**

**Leader:**

Come ready to be renewed.  
Come ready to be shaken.  
Come ready to be sent.

**ALL:**

**Holy Spirit, fall on us again.  
Make us a Pentecost people—  
serving joyously, building the Kingdom,  
and following Jesus with power. AMEN.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“This is the day...”*

UMH# 657

**OPENING PRAYER**

Holy and Living God, You keep Pentecost alive in every generation. You breathe on Your church again and again so we can join Jesus in building Your Kingdom with courage, compassion, and joy.

Pour out Your Spirit on us today. Where we are tired—renew us. Where we are hesitant—embolden us. Where we are discouraged—lift us. Where we are afraid—steady us. Let Your Spirit fill us so deeply that serving becomes joy, loving becomes delight, and witnessing becomes our natural overflow.

Make us bold in love, joyful in service, and faithful in every place You send us.  
Come, Holy Spirit— fill us again for Kingdom work.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Unison*)

*Merciful God, You call us to serve joyously, but we confess that we often serve out of duty, out of fear, or out of exhaustion.*

*You pour out Your Spirit generously, yet we act as though Your power is scarce. You invite us to build the Kingdom with Jesus, yet we shrink back when the work feels heavy or when the cost feels high.*

*Forgive us, Holy Spirit, for resisting Your movement, for silencing Your promptings, for choosing comfort over courage. Forgive us for serving without joy, loving without boldness, and witnessing without hope. Fill us again. Renew our joy. Restore our courage. Send us once more— as a Pentecost people who serve joyously and build the Kingdom with Jesus. Amen.*

**SILENT MEDITATION**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

*“He Touched Me”*

UMH #367

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE, FORGIVENESS AND HEALING**

\*Offer each other the gift of forgiveness: “In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.”

**WELCOMING FIRST OR SECOND TIME WORSHIPPERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS**

**PROCLAMATION**

**\*SONG OF PREPARATION**

*“Lord I want to Be A Christian, In My Heart”*

Jayon Anthony

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

Psalm 100

Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 4

**MESSAGE**

*“Shake it Up!”*

**Bishop J**

**RESPONSE**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

**PRAYERS OF COMPASSION/ PASTORAL PRAYER**

You are invited to lift names for prayers of celebration or concern; respond with “Thanks be to God/ Lord, in your mercy hear our prayers”

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**Special Compassion Offering**

**Reminder: *People to People Offerings***

Congers UMC now has online giving with Givelify:  
go to <https://www.givelify.com> designate Congers UMC.

Or, use our QR code by pointing the camera on your cell phone to this image:



**SENDING**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

*“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”*

TFWS #2151

**\*DISMISSAL WITH TABLE BLESSINGS**

**BENEDICTION**

Go now, in the blessing of God who meets us where we are and surprises us with new life where none seemed possible. May we be a people who embody God’s miracle called laughter as we work for the flourishing of all creation as the family of God. Amen.

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

**POSTLUDE**

Jim West

Acolytes carry the Light into the world!

# Thank you Today's Worship Team:

Worship Leader: Frances Reid  
Scripture Reader: Dr. Stacey May  
Song of Preparation: Jayon Anthony  
Music: Jim West



Roberto Villaseñor (6/1)  
Sharon Gill (6/3)  
Evan Sessoms (6/29)  
Carole Anderson (6/30)

**Welcome to Congers UMC.** We are happy to have you with us. Join us for a time of food and fellowship after worship service in the fellowship hall.

If this is your first or second time with us, please fill in your name, email address, and/or cell number in the “CongersUMC Connect Card” in the back of the pew in front of you. Kindly place it in the offering plates or give it to any member. You may also access this form digitally with our “Connect” QR code. We hope to see you again.



\*Please be aware that we use **Facebook Live for our worship services.** If you are uncomfortable being screened or having pictures taken of yourself or family members, please let our Communications Team (Cheery Villaseñor or Bishop J know).

## Today

We celebrate the **2nd Sunday after Pentecost**, when the Holy Spirit came with sound and tongues of fire to empower the disciples and the church to continue the work of Jesus to unfold and evolve God's Kingdom.

**June is “Pride Month”** an annual celebration that recognizes the contributions and struggles of the LGBTQ+ community. It is a time to promote acceptance, diversity, and human rights, while celebrating the resilience and unity of LGBTQ+ individuals and their allies

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

### COMPASSION PRAYERS

- Please keep in heart and prayer church members, families, and friends who stand in the need of prayer. You can find the complete list on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. (If there are additions, removals, or amendments to this list, please let Pat Williams know.)
- We pray for God's Peace and Justice throughout our country and throughout this world; such as the ongoing wars between Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia, Israel and Iran, The Congo, Somalia and other parts of Africa, and other parts of our world. Global issues, such as, immigration, atomic energy, women and children abuse, active shootings, climate change, attacks on democracy, disarmament, food insecurity, the unsheltered, etc.



### SERVICE

- If you didn't bring your non-perishable food item to be donated to **PEOPLE TO PEOPLE**, this Sunday, and you would like to donate, bring it next week or see Francis Reid, coordinator, for more information.



### UPCOMING EVENTS



#### TODAY:

- Join Bishop J, Shantelle Williams Johnson, Linda Catillano and Dr. Stacy May, following worship as they represent CongersUMC at the **Pride Day celebrations** in Pearl River as a part of the UMROCK (United Methodists of Rockland County) witness. There will be a UMC Table. We will wear our CongersUMC tee shirts. If interested, we have a shirt for you!

#### SPECIAL FUTURE PROJECTS:

- **Saturday, June 20, Rockland Alpha Scholarship Reception, 12–2pm**, CongersUMC Ed Building. All members and community invited.
- **Saturday, June 27, 11am – 1pm, Healthy Hearts, Healthy Minds a Health Fair**, sponsored by Dr. Duane Bryan, Cardiologist, Montefiore Hospital and the Rockland County Alphas, CongersUMC Ed. Bldg, All members and community invited. (see flyer)
- **Saturday, July 25, All Church Retreat**
- **Saturday, August 20, 2026, 11am – 4pm, East Harlem, NY, Dr. Stacy May's Ymannas Helping Hands 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Health and Wellness** ministry for the Unsheltered. Volunteers and donations will be welcomed.
- **Sunday September 13, 2026, 4pm: Shantelle Williams Johnson and Friends in Concert: Special Fundraiser for CongersUMC Accessibility projects: (see flyer)**
- **Saturday October 10, 2026, 4pm, John Anthony Celebration Committee is proud to announce the kickoff concert for The John and Naomi Anthony Music Foundation.** This foundation is dedicated to providing and assisting young musicians as they seek musical instruction at the many prestigious music schools in Rockland County and New York City. The concert will feature talent from the Metropolitan area many of whom worked with and loved John and Naomi Anthony.

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**SUNDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 13, 2026**



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