

50 Days of Prayer

On Pentecost Sunday, we were reminded that the Holy Spirit's power is available to the church today, just as it was on that first Pentecost. You can view the sermon at www.metroumc.org. Click on "Sermon Videos" link.

In order to prepare ourselves to receive a *greater measure of the Spirit's power*, we have embarked on a 50-Day Prayer venture. We have committed to **pray 3 times every day for 50 days**, specifically for these things:

Morning –

Pray that God will break down every barrier that prevents us from receiving a new infusion of the Spirit's power: e.g. fear, complacency, laziness, stubbornness, lack of commitment, discouragement.

Noon –

Pray that God will break down every barrier that prevents us from experiencing complete unity within the Body of Christ: e.g. distrust, insecurity, bigotry, miscommunication, pride, unresolved conflict, old hurts, differences in culture/theology/lifestyle. Pray for protection from the wiles of the Evil One, who will try to sew seeds of division and distrust among God's people.

Night –

Pray that God will break open the doors of our "safe sanctuary"

- And *send new people in*, where they will find welcome, healing, hope, direction and guidance, and opportunities to grow and serve in Christ's name
- And *send God's people out into the world* with a new sense of confidence and urgency, to tell our family, friends, co-workers and neighbors what God has done for us

Pray that God's POWER will be so obviously manifest in the life of our congregation, that we'll begin to see lives changed, relationships healed, the imprisoned set free from bondage, the empty filled with good things. Pray that the Risen Christ Jesus will be made known to our city and the world through Metropolitan United Methodist Church.

We believe the power of that first Pentecost is STILL available to our church today, and we are preparing ourselves to receive a fresh new infusion of the Holy Spirit's power.

Join us in 50 Days of Prayer – 3 times per day, every day!