

# MONTVERDE UMC SERMON NOTES

**“Smoke Jumping”**

**John 13: 31-35**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Todd Bardin

**Sometimes we have to be willing to jump into flames as a follower of Christ — to leap from places of safety and security, and plunge into real-world troubles, showing a powerful and passionate love for people around us.**

1. **J**\_\_\_\_\_ is the ultimate Smoke Jumper!

"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another," he instructed them. "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:34-35).

2. **L**\_\_\_\_\_ is what makes the church – the church!

"Perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:18).

3. This morning consider: where are the smoky and dangerous hot spots in our families, our community and our church? And how should we be fighting these fierce and frightening fires as disciples of a sacrificial Savior?

4. Showing Love takes **T**\_\_\_\_\_. We are all in this together!

5. **J**\_\_\_\_\_ is counting on us and we are counting on him!

*Saturday Serve, May 8<sup>th</sup>  
9-11 am  
Are YOU ready to JUMP?*