Fifth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 7, 2023

Welcoming

Mission and Service Birthday/Anniversary Recognition

Happy birthday to you, to Jesus be true, May God's gracious blessings rest always with you.

Announcements

<u>Centring Music:</u> Fairest Lord Jesus The Crusader's Hymn, arranged by Becki Slago Mayo

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this candle to bring the Spirit of God in our midst. May the light of this candle guide our footsteps, shed light on the truth and reveal your love to the world.

Opening Hymn: Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

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1 Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, praise the Lord with the harp and lute, praise the Lord with the gentle-sounding flute. Praise the Lord in the field and forest, praise the Lord in the city square, praise the Lord anytime and anywhere. Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, praise the Lord in the dark of night, praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light. Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, praise the Lord on the highest hill, praise the Lord, never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string, praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing. Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, praise the Lord on a Sunday noon, praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon. Praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon. Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, praise the Lord in the time of joy, praise the Lord every moment, nothing let your praise destroy. Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play, praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Songs for a Gospel People

A Time to Wonder

Anthem: In Christ Alone by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arranged by Lloyd Larson

Scripture Reading Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 John 14: 1-14

Reflection: "The Way, The Truth, The Life"

Hymn of the Day: All the Way My Saviour Leads Me

(Voices United 635) Words: Fanny J. Crosby 1875, Music: Robert S. Lowry 1875

- All the way my Saviour leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell, for I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.
- 2 All the way my Saviour leads me, cheers each winding path I tread, gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread. Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be, gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see!
- All the way my Saviour leads me; O the fullness of his love! Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed, immortal, wings its flight to realms of day, this my song through endless ages, 'Jesus led me all the way!'

Invitation to Offering

Choral Response: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks

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Hallelujah, hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ; hallelujah, hallelujah! Give praise to God's name.

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for Ourselves and for Others

Parting Hymn: You Are Holy (More Voices 45)

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You are holy, you show us the way, you are holy, you show us the way. You are holy, you show us the way, you are holy, you show us the way.

You show us, you show us, you show us the way. you show us, you show us, you show us the way. You show us, you show us, you show us the way, you show us, you show us, you show us the way.

Benediction

God of the Way, you are the road we travel, the sign we follow; the bread for the journey and the wine for the arrival. Guide us as we follow in your way.

Postlude: Jesus Shall Reign

by John Hatton, arranged by Lani Smith

Worship Leadership - Pastor Nancy Walker and Pastor Beth Parsons Music Leadership – Sharon Prindle-Collins Welcoming – Stephen Godfrey The Lord's Prayer – Alan Priestley Scripture Reading – Rosalie Knogler Spirit Kids – Nancy Walker Greeters – Mary Jane Apcar and Donna Loglisci Technical Support – Karen Clark and Rob Glenn Fellowship Time – Andy and the Queens of Caffeine Flowers are offered by Joan Guild in memory of her parents.