

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 15, 2022
5th Sunday of Easter

**Stand in body and spirit*

PRELUDE "Joyful Prelude" by Dale Wood Dave Howland

Please use this time to transition between getting here and being here.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Joel K. Boyd

CHORAL INTROIT Sanctuary Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Ephesians 4:1-3) *(read responsively)* Marilyn Sullivan

Leader: In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul encourages the church to unity. His letter speaks to us now as it did to the early church. We are encouraged to lead a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called,

Congregation: **with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

***GATHERING HYMN** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #22

***INVOCATION** (based on Galatians 3:23-29) *(in unison)* Marilyn Sullivan

Lord, You spoke the truth of Your rich and broad welcome through the apostle Paul, when he wrote to the church in Galatia: "in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Bless us by Your presence, O God, and inspire us to welcome as You welcome in Christ.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(using Debts and Debtors)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "Bind Us Together" #494

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 148 Marilyn Sullivan

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Teach Me, O Lord" by Gordon Young Sanctuary Choir

SUNDAY SCHOOL MOMENT Jillian Barbour
(Children are released to their Sunday School classrooms)

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Joel K. Boyd

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY "How Firm a Foundation" Arr. by Steve Kellar Sanctuary Choir

***DOXOLOGY** *(sing in unison)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***OFFERING PRAYER** Rev. Joel K. Boyd

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING Acts 11:1-18 Rev. Joel K. Boyd

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

SERMON "The Same Gift" Rev. Joel K. Boyd

***SENDING HYMN** "For the Fruit of All Creation" #287

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Joel K. Boyd

POSTLUDE "Jesus Shall Reign" Arr. by David Paxton Dave Howland

Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

MUSICIANS: Dave Howland, Sanctuary Choir and Danny Reeves
TECHNICIAN: Scott Hokett | **GREETER:** Denise Parr | **LITURGIST:** Marilyn Sullivan

Please join us after worship service for Fellowship Hour hosted by Carrie Skronek.