

Sunday, May 16, 2021

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“Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.”

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is present in our lives.

People: God is present in this place.

Leader: We are called to live compassionately.

People: We are called to live our faith in action.

Leader: May we hear the word read and proclaimed.

People: May we listen to where Jesus leads us to be.

ALL: Amen and amen

OPENING HYMN: *To God Be the Glory* 98

OPENING PRAYER

Holy Spirit, be with us in our worship this day. Draw us ever closer to you, that we may become one. Draw us ever closer to your word, that we may be wise. Draw us ever closer to your world, that we may serve and love as you guide us to do.

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

May 16th Jack Makela

May 23rd Sue Malevich

May 30th Warren Ross

USHER SCHEDULE – no ushers at this time

May 16th Don and Terri Peterson

May 23rd Linda Thesing-Hall and Mary Thesing

May 30th John Malevich

YARD WORK SCHEDULE

May 10th-16th Malevich

May 17th-23rd John and Norma

May 24th-30th Malevich

Scripture Readings for next week (May 23rd)

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826)

Acts 2:1-21

Romans 8:22-27

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor MaryLou will be on vacation the week of June 1st-7th. DeEtta will fill the pulpit on Sunday, June 6th... So Communion will be on Sunday, June 13th.

In your holy name, we pray.

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We delight in your law, O God, but we don't always follow the rules. Shower us with your mercy, that we may know your forgiveness and your grace. Guide our steps, that we may follow you more closely. Draw us ever closer to you and to one another, that we might support one another as we follow where you lead us in our efforts to create a world of unity and boundless love. In your mercy and grace, we pray.

AMEN

PSALM READING: Psalm (read responsively – page 738 UMH)

HYMN: *Open My Eyes That I May See* 454

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silent prayers...

LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever and ever.

AMEN

HYMN: *What A Friend We Have In Jesus* 526

LESSON: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 John 5:9-13

GOSPEL LESSON: John 17:6-19

MESSAGE Pastor Mary Lou

HYMN: *Be Still My Soul* 534

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS/MUSIC

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

AMEN

Please leave your offering in the plate on the stand as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Loving God of both comfort and challenge; we have been blessed to know the feeling of being surrounded in your loving arms like a child. Yet we also know that is not a place we can stay. You send us to be part of the world – with all its ugliness, anger, hate, deceit and betrayals – but not of the world. You call us to give, so that love, compassion, and hope might be set loose. We are not giving as those who are of the world – expecting to receive in the transaction. We give instead out of gratitude for your loving heart, made known to us in Christ. Use us in this way, we pray in the blessed name of Christ, who by your love overcame death.

AMEN

BENEDICTION

HYMN: *More Like You*

POSTLUDE