

*Your Friendly
Community Church*



May 7, 2023

***Fifth Sunday
of Easter***

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bill Rose

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is our refuge.

People: We can find peace in God's abiding love.

Leader: When troubles assail us, we call upon the Lord.

People: While joys abound, we call upon the Lord.

Leader: The Lord is our strength.

People: We give thanks that the Lord is our refuge and strength.

*HYMN

UMH #557

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of love, you have called us together this day.
Help us to appreciate all that you have given us.
Help us to seek your hope and peace throughout
all our days. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Diane Horn

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, , by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and
understanding that our hearts and minds may be
opened to know your truth and your way. Amen.

*GOSPEL LESSON

NT #6

Matthew 7:1-5

SERMON

Rev. Meegian Gossard

"Loving the Vampires"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #881

"The Apostles' Creed"

PRAYER

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 10

10:30 Pastor's Bible Study – Crossroads Class

5:45 Choir Practice – Choir Room

Thursday, May 11

6:30 Listening Session – CLC

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9am
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the parlor in the Education Building.

Children's SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the nursery in the Education building.

HEARING DEVICES

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will lift them up for prayer during worship.

2023 FINANCES

2023 Budget = \$229,008.00

Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,404.00

Received for General Budget on 04/30/23 = \$2,679.00

Received Year-To-Date (2023) = \$59,632.00

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.