

The liturgical color is green for the 5th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Fugue in C Major" G. F. Handel
Amy Bender, organ

WELCOME Melanie Lyttle, liturgist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: It is still morning, and yet so many good things have come our way.

C: Thank you, God, for the joy of today.

L: The joy of shelter, the joy of clean water, the joy of food on our table.

C: Thank you, God, for the joy of today.

L: There is joy in old friends who understand us,

C: and joy in meeting new potential friends.

L: Thank you, God, for the joy of today.

C: For the joy we find in worshipping you, our Creator.

***OPENING HYMN** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"" UMH 89

OPENING PRAYER

Here we are, Lord! We come praising your faithfulness, giving thanks for your mercy, and seeking your joy. Thank you for creating us and giving us life and breath today. Thank you for your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and for the Holy Spirit whose presence here unites us as your people. Fill us with your peace today! Help us this week to embrace joyful living. Being joyfully mindful of the gift of each day, remembering our Saviour, Jesus Christ, goes with us. Amen.

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

SCRIPTURE Psalm 98: 4-9, p. 426

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

9:00 "Camp Firelight" Andy Wilson
Vacation Bible School Participants

11:00 "My Lighthouse" Chris Llewellyn/Gareth Gilkeson
Get Outdoors (G.O.D.) Camp Participants

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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. Amen.

FAITH IN ACTION

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may place your offering in the Offering Box at the entrance of the Sanctuary or give online using the link on the back of the bulletin

OFFERTORY "When Morning Gilds the Skies" arr. J. B. Taylor

***DOXOLOGY #94**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God loves it when the giver delights in the giving." So, God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts today. All we are, and all we have are yours alone. O God, accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world, Amen.

***HYMN OF CENTERING** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH 382
Hymn History: The words to this hymn were written by Adelaide Pollard. She was born in 1862 in Bloomfield, Iowa as Sarah Addison Pollard. She didn't like the name Sarah so she changed it to Adelaide. Adelaide wrote over 100 hymns and gospel songs. She wanted to go to Africa as a missionary in 1902 but was unable to raise the money. Discouraged, she attended a prayer meeting one evening and heard an elderly woman say " It really doesn't matter what you do with us, Lord, just have your own way with our lives." Those words inspired Adelaide to read Jeremiah 18:3-6, referencing the Lord as potter and we as the clay. She then wrote four stanzas to a hymn. George Stebbins put those words to music in 1907 and called the music, Adelaide. Ms. Pollard did eventually make it to Africa some years later. She then returned to the U. S. and continued in Christian ministry in New York City. She died there in 1934.

SCRIPTURE Acts 8:26-40, p.776

MESSAGE *Go Be Joy!*: "Joy"
Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

HYMN OF MISSION "Victory In Jesus" UMH 370

** Congregation invited to stand if able*

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE "Go Now In Peace"**

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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POSTLUDE

"Psalm of Joy"

George Blake

Altar Flowers are presented by Davis Bonner
In Loving Memory of Patricia & Richard Bonner

Please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485



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