A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34

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May 18, 2025 ~~ Fifth Sunday of Easter ~~ ~~ Cantate Sunday ~~



"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it" Psalm 118:24

The Celebration of Worship

The Gathering of God's People

Time to speak with each other

Greeting "The Lord be with you.... And also with you."



Please fill out and pass the Friendship Books. Visitors, please fill in your address as well. Thank You!

> Prelude "A Song of the Sea"

by Douglas E. Wagner Campanola Ringers

The Call to Worship

Rev. Keith Tamlyn / Congregation Open wide the doors, let the people in. **Open wide the doors, God is found within.** Open up your hearts, see what love can do. **Open up your hearts, let God work through you.** Open up your minds, see a better world. **Open up your minds, God dreams through you. All: Open up your voices, sing your praise aloud. Open up your voices, sing of our unity in Christ.**

Gathering Hymn:

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

The Welcoming Prayer/God's Greeting

Rev. Keith Tamlyn

Sunday School Dismissal

(after which children 3rd – 8th grade leave for Sunday school) (Children ages 3yrs - 2nd grade are attending Children and Worship in room 9)

> The Call to Confession Rev. Keith Tamlyn

Prayer of Confession

O God, whom earthquake, wind and fire cannot contain, we are often shaken by powerful forces on every hand that deny your sovereignty. Our doubts multiply and our faith wearies. We have great sorrow and anguish when we see things as they are with people and nations and try to imagine how they might be if your rule were recognized. It's so lonely out there, with our faith shaken and no one to share it. So we deny you too. Yes, we do, God. Please forgive us, and help us to keep the faith. Amen.

> Words of Assurance / The Law Rev. Keith Tamlyn

> > "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem

"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

by Jack Scrader Chancel Choir



We Proclaim the Good News

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Psalms 148 Revelation 21: 1-6 John 13: 31-35 This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Message

"Trusting in Our Faith" Guest Preacher: The Rev. Richard Witt – Executive Director, Rural & Migrant Ministry

Anthem 2

"Why We Sing"

Words and Music by Greg Gilpin Chancel Choir



We Respond to the Good News

(Please print your prayer request on the blue card in the pew rack and deposit in offering plate.) **The Offering**

Offertory "Beside Still Waters"

by Douglas E. Wagner Campanola Ringers

The Doxology The Offertory Prayer

Generous God, you have given us life, a place to live in, and people to live with. Open our eyes to each other and to all our brothers and sisters, especially the poor, the oppressed, the alienated, the storm tired. Make us humble enough to help and comfort them, so that your love and justice and peace may come to them. We make bold to consecrate ourselves and our gifts to you and to the service of others, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Hymn: "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

back cover of hymnal

Prayers of Thanksgiving (Pastor)

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 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.

Sending Hymn: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" #52

Benediction Postlude