

**ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

10 a.m. *Communion Sunday* May 2, 2021

*\* indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWs is the small black book.*

Introit "Come, ye Thankful People, Come!" by Henry Alford & George Elvey  
CUMC Adult Choir arr. Don Chapman

**WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GREETINGS**

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: **Praise the Lord!**

\*HYMN "Thine Be the Glory" UMH#308

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER**

One: Come to Christ, the true vine, and bear much fruit.

All: **We have come to abide in the vine, and to bear the fruit of salvation.**

One: Come to love one another, for love is of God.

All: **We have come to the household of love, for God is love.**

One: Come to set aside your fears, for perfect love drives out fear.

All: **We have come to love one another, as God has loved us.**

One: Come! All are welcome here.

And together let us pray.

All: **Divine Vinegrower, the soil of your love nurtures the roots of our lives each and every day. As we consecrate ourselves into your loving care, plant us in the soil of your love, that we may abide in Christ, our true vine, and bear the fruit of your love and grace. Give us rain in seasons of doubt and nourish our growth, that our harvest of love may bless the world. In your bountiful name, we pray. Amen.**

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message"

\*Hymn "It's Me, It's Me O Lord" UMH #352

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 8:26-40

PSALM READING Psalm 22:25-31

THE GOSPEL READING John 15:1-8

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "The Fruit of God's Love" Rev. Jane Kim

\*Hymn "Spirit Song" UMH #347

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**INVITATION**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another.  
(From UMH page 7)

**THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)**

**Offering our gifts to God is a holy act. In this sacred moment, let us offer our gifts and our lives to the holy work of God.**

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Sing a Jubilant Song" Jim Stanton  
CUMC Adult Choir

*Refrain*

Sing to the Lord a new song for He's done such marvelous things!

Shout for joy to the Lord, all ye nations, with trumpet and timbrel and voice!

Sing to the Lord a new song for He's done such marvelous things!

Shout for joy to the Lord, all ye nations, with a just and jubilant song!

Let the oceans resound and all live residing there-in. Let the oceans resound!

*Refrain*

Let the valleys and mountains echo with gladness. Let the rivers o'erflow with the waters of holiness.

O let us sing to the Lord, for He reveals Himself in righteousness to all the earth.

Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Sing to the Lord a new song for He's done such marvelous things!

Shout for joy to the Lord, all ye nations, with trumpet and timbrel and voice!

Sing to the Lord a new song for He's done such marvelous things!

Shout for joy to the Lord, all ye nations. Shout! (*repeated three times*)

Shout for joy! Shout for joy! Sing a just and jubilant song!

Sing to the Lord a new song!

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #94

**THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

**Bountiful God, you fill the poor with good things and cause the hungry to be satisfied. May these gifts be instruments of your grace and may our very lives be the means of spreading your blessings. Make these gifts be for the world a sign of your boundless love and your overflowing abundance. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (*From UMH Pgs. 9-11*)

Insert

\*HYMN

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

UMH #526

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God.

**All: We will be born of love each day of our lives.**

One: Beloved, let us abide in Christ’s love, for he is the vine and we are the branches.

**All: We will grow as Christ’s disciples and bear fruit for a world in need.**

One: Beloved, let us care for one another, for the Spirit helps us abide in God’s peace.

**All: We will glorify God in the lives we lead.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share his love and peace with one another.

***PLEASE JOIN CUMC ZOOM COFFEE HOUR FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.***

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED**

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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