## ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 a.m. *Mother's Day* May 14, 2023

**PRELUDE** 

INTROIT

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 "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" TFWS #2031

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: From the north and south, from the east and west...

All: all are welcome here.

One: With hands raised high or hearts quietly pondering...

All: we come to worship God.

One: Bringing our love, opening our minds...

All: we draw near to God, near to each other,

and near to Christ, the Word of God.

One: And together let us pray.

All: God of all nations, for creating us in all our diversity, yet calling us together in our common humanity, we offer you our thanks and praise.

Speak to us with your Spirit of Truth. Reveal to us your loving presence, and guide us to display your loving Spirit in all that we say and in all that we do. Lord, give us this day our daily bread and help us trust that you know what is best for us. Hear our prayers, O God. In Jesus' name, we

pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message"

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 HEBREW READING Nehemiah 9:19-21

THE PSALM READING Psalm 66:16-20

THE GOSPEL READING John 14:15-21

One: The Word of God for the people of God

II: Thanks be to God.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as 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, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SERMON "Give Us Today Our Daily Bread" Rev. Jane Kim

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)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of Truth, unveil our sins and shortcomings, that we might be clothed with your mercy and covered with your grace. In gratitude and love, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Saved by love and covered in grace, we are forgiven and reconciled with God.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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

Let us be generous in our giving, that others may see in us the transforming power of God. Let us be lavish in our gifts, that others may draw life from the bounty of God's blessings.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Creation Sings" from "Sight & Sound Theatres DAVID"

Tyler Stankiewicz – Vocal Soloist by Gabriel Wilson & Kristen Brewer

When I see the stars, they take my breath away. You spread heavens wide, a holy tapestry, so, I will join the song, as creation sings to you.

As the deer needs water, so my soul longs after you.

As the bird takes flight, your wind carries me through.

So, I will join the song, as creation sings to you.

You poured the oceans deep and filled them up with life.

You carved the rolling hills, built the mountains to the sky,

<sup>\*</sup> indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.

So, I will join the song, as creation sings to you.

All the earth sings your praise. Your truth is in the sky, your breath in our hearts,

Your feet are on the waves, your hands hold the stars,

And all creation sings how great you are.

Your voice is in the clouds, you ride on the wind,

you wrap yourself in light, yet you call me your friend.

From the beginning to the end, how great you are!

When I see the stars, they take my breath away. You spread heavens wide,

I was wonderfully made, knit in my mother's womb.

You have written all my days, so, I will join the song, as creation sings your praise.

\*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

God of all creation, you offer us so many blessings. For creating us in your image and entrusting us to reveal your presence throughout the world, we thank you. Create blessings, even miracles, through the gifts we now bring, that others may sense your abiding presence and know your extravagant love. In gratitude and hope, we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

## UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for Ukraine today. We pray for people suffering from war. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the war o, God. Amen.

\*HYMN "Because He Lives" **UMH #364** 

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Go to bring God's loving presence to the world.

We leave to be companions of kindness to everyone we meet.

One: Go forth, trusting that our companion God goes with us,

now and forevermore.

All: Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

**POSTLUDE** 

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED** 

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS** 

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