

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 a.m.

Communion Sunday

May 7, 2023

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

PRELUDE

INTROIT

"And the Father Will Dance"

By Mark Hayes

CUMC Adult Choir

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves.

Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?

No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song!

And He will joy over you in song; and He will joy over you in song!

My soul will make its boast in God, for he has answered all my cries.

His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day.

Awake, my soul! Awake, my soul! Awake, my soul, and sing!

Let my spirit rejoice, let my spirit rejoice. Let my spirit rejoice in God!

Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored!

Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant

song. And He will joy over you in song, and He will joy over you in song!

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

"God of Grace and God of Glory" Verses 1, 3, 4

UMH #577

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Once we were not a people.

All: **Now we are God's people.**

One: Once we ate food that did not satisfy.

All: **Now we drink the spiritual milk of our Lord.**

One: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

And together let us pray.

All: **Merciful God, our refuge and our strength, train our hearts on the words of your Son: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me." Feed our souls with your spiritual milk, and build our very lives into spiritual houses that neither famine nor storm can shake the**

foundation of our faith. In the name of the master builder and the living stone, 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 PSALM READING Psalm 31:1-5

THE EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 2:2-10

THE GOSPEL READING John 14:1-6

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Thy Kingdom Come"

Rev. Jane Kim

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

"The One"

Craig Courtney

CUMC Adult Choir

On the swiftest wings of morning, from the highest King of Heaven,
comes a holy invitation to a feast.

Interceding for His children, at the right hand of the Father,
He invites us all, the most unto the least.

(Refrain)

The One who knows your name has bid you, "Come."

The One who bore your shame, God's only Son,

Has prepared a celebration as a gift from God above;

a sacrament of peace, a feast of love.

Gather now around God's table, feel the splendor of the Savior,

As He serves the fragrant bread and pours the wine.

Then is grateful adoration of His blood and body given,

praise the One who offers us the feast divine.

(Refrain)

He took, He blesses, He gave; sacrament of peace, a feast of love.

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

God of overflowing abundance, you feed our spirits with spiritual milk and nourish our souls with heavenly food. In gratitude for your mercy and your many blessings, we offer you our gifts and our ministries, and that a wounded world might know your grace. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

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

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 *"Lead Me, Guide Me"* TFWS #2214

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Go as God's people to support one another.

All: Nourished by Christ, we are satisfied.

One: Go in peace. People will know we are Christians by our love.

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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