

**May 5, 2024**

**Prelude and Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: The Christ said, "This is my commandment: Love one another."

People: **We come to worship the God who is love, that we may learn to love one another.**

Leader: The Christ said, "No longer do I call you servants, but now I call you my friends."

People: **Let us sing praise to God and live in love and friendship toward the human family, through Jesus our Christ. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #84:** "This Is the Day"

**\*Passing the Peace**

**Scripture:** Acts 10:44-48

Jim Miers

**Anthem:** Over in the Glory Land, by Mary McDonald

**Time With Young Disciples**

**\*Unison Prayer**

**O living Christ, as the good news of Easter energized your first disciples to establish dynamic Christian communities, so energize us to dynamic life within our congregation. As your Spirit gave them courage to stand tall before the powers of this world, so empower us to proclaim your gospel and struggle for justice and peace. By your presence with us now, make us one in love and mission. Amen.**

**Sermon:** "Energized, fed, and blessed"

**\*Hymn #349:** "I Come With Joy"

**The Community at Prayer** (*Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer*)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

## **Prayer Response**

### **Invitation to the Offering**

*(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)*

### **\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**God, we come to you in plenty and in want. Teach us to receive without embarrassment when we have needs and help us give without reservation when we have abundance. Bless and multiply these Sunday gifts and unwrap our hearts to you every day. Amen.**

### **Sacrament of Communion**

Beloved in Christ, the Gospel tells us that on the first day of the week Jesus Christ was raised from death, appeared to Mary Magdalene, on that same day sat at the table with two disciples, and was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**This is the joyful feast of the people of God. Men and women, youth and children, come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather about Christ's table.**

This table is for all who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Holy God, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made....Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere saying:

**Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!**

**Words of Institution and Consecration**

**Sharing of the Elements**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**We give thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #497: "Guide My Feet"**

**\*Commissioning and Blessing**

**We believe in a world  
Where there is enough for all  
Today, we join our hearts and hands  
Lifting our united voices  
And praying with our feet  
As we say  
NO to HUNGER!  
NO to POVERTY!  
NO to INJUSTICE!**

**\*Choral Response**

**\*Postlude**