

May 15, 2022 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SONG Step by Step W&S 3004

SONG Welcome W&S 3152

OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of life, breathe new life within us. Blow through our worship with your enlivening presence, and rise up in us with new hope. Dwell in our community, in our church, and in our hearts this day, that your love may bind us together and send us forth to serve. Amen.

MARY SCIFRES (AWA)

WORD

FIRST READING Acts 11:1-18

PSALM Psalm 148 (responsively)

UMH 861

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise the Lord, in the heights!

Praise the Lord, all his angels, praise the Lord, all his hosts!

Praise the Lord, sun and moon, praise the Lord, all shining stars!

Praise the Lord, highest heavens, and all waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, who commanded and they were created,

who established them for ever and ever, and fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and smoke, stormy winds fulfilling God's command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted, whose glory is above earth and heaven.

God has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful ones, for the people of Israel who are near their God. Praise the Lord!

SECOND READING Revelation 21:1-6

GOSPEL READING John 13:31-35

SERMON "Banquet of the Unclean" Rev. Dr. David King

RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 883

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA (UMH)

HYMN Blessed Be Your Name

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DK Setting I

W&S 3002

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil, for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Living God, send your Holy Spirit to bless these gifts with your life and hope. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, that we also may bring life and hope to others as we share our gifts in the world. Love through us, live through us, that others may know your life-giving love. Amen.

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SENDING

HYMN They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

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BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to serve God and neighbor in everything you do.

Thanks be to God.

+POSTLUDE

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