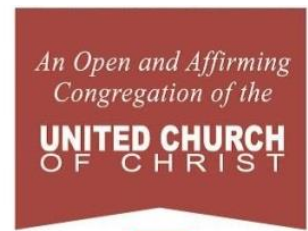


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ORDER OF WORSHIP
MAY 24, 2020
Seventh Sunday of Easter

THE GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

Aria, In Memoriam
David Neiweem

LIGHTING THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The Rev. Elissa Johnk

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Ann Vivian
by Rev.s Rex Hunt and Bob Holmes, adapted

* OPENING HYMN

Precious Lord

NCH #472

1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
- 2, When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear me cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
3. When the shadows appear and the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

HEBREW BIBLE READING From 1 Samuel 17:1-49

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

For the Healing of the Nations

NCH #472 Vv1-2

SONG OF PRAISE

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

WORD OF GOD FOR ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

THE WORD

Mark 4:35-41

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jesus Savior, Pilot Me, V1
David Neiweem

SERMON

Alot of Storms
Based on a drawing on hyperobleandahalf

The Rev. Elissa Johnk

* HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

God's Eye Is on the Sparrow

NCH #475

1. Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home,
When God is ever my portion? My constant friend will be:
God's eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me; (repeat)

Refrain: I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free,
God's eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me.

2. "Let not your heart be troubled," Christ's tender word I hear,
And resting on God's goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path God leads me, but one step I may see:
God's eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me; (repeat)

Refrain:

3. Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,
When song gives place to sighing, when hope within me dies,
I then draw close to my Savior, from care I am set free:
God's eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me; (repeat)

Refrain:

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

WITNESSES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our

debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Brother's Keeper"
Ana Ruesink & Andy Barker

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* DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

BIDDING TO MISSION AND SENDING FORTH

* CLOSING HYMN

America, the Beautiful

PH #440

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain.
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed grace on thee,
And crown thy good in sister/brotherhood
From sea to shining sea

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
The glory of thy cities gleam, undimmed by human tears,
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God Be With You

* *Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.*

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