

First UMC
A United Methodist Community
In Moorestown, New Jersey
*“A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ
with a hurting world through words and actions.”*

May 2, 2021

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

I'll Fly Away

CALL TO WORSHIP

Tricia Trout, Worship Leader

Leader: Praise be to God, who has brought us here this day.

People: Praise and thanks to God for all the blessings we have received.

Leader: What joy we have in God's presence!

People: What peace is brought to us in God's house!

Leader: This is truly the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Amen.

SONGS OF WORSHIP: HOW GREAT IS YOUR LOVE (by Mark Altrogge) (1990 Integrity's Praise!)

No eye has seen and no ear has heard, and no mind has ever conceived
the glorious things that You have prepared for ev'ryone who has believed;

You brought us near and You called us Your own, and made us joint heirs with Your Son.

*Chorus: How high and how wide, how deep and how long, how sweet and how strong is Your love;
how lavish Your grace, how faithful Your ways, how great is Your love, O Lord?*

Objects of mercy, who should have known wrath, we're filled with unspeakable joy,
riches of wisdom unsearchable wealth, and the wonder of knowing Your voice;
You are our treasure and our great reward our hope and our glorious King. (Chorus)

LET THE HEAVENS REJOICE (by Don Harris & Martin Nystrom)

*Chorus: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, let the seas resound with a mighty roar;
Let the trees of the forest clap their hands, let the earth be filled with the glory of the Lord.*

All of creation is boldly proclaiming the wonderful things He has done;

Let's join with all nations in one declaration, proclaiming the goodness of God. (Chorus)

The heavens above are declaring His splendor, His power cannot be denied;

For all of creation is loudly confessing that Jesus, our Lord, is alive. (chorus)

(Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

WORSHIP THE LORD (by Edwin Hawkins) (1981 Word Music)

Make a joyful noise, all ye people; Sing a song, to the Lord, of His goodness and His mercy,
of His faithfulness and love. Make a joyful noise, all ye people; Sing a song, to the Lord,
of His goodness and His mercy, of His faithfulness and love.

Worship the Lord, let's praise His holy name; Worship the Lord, let's magnify His name.

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OPENING PRAYER – O God of steadfast love, we thank you for the lessons of the past. We remember all that you have done for us; make us truly thankful. We remember times of joy and sorrow; may these experiences make us compassionate toward others. We share the memory of your people as they have journeyed through time; it is our story as well. May the richness of our past be the ground out of which love, hope, and faithfulness blossom; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

WHO YOU SAY I AM (*Reuben Morgan, Ben Fielding*)

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?

I was lost but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me!

Chorus: Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God. Yes I am.

Free at last, He ransomed me. His grace runs deep.

While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me! (chorus)

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God. Yes I am.

In my Father's house, there's a place for me. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who You say I am. You are for me, not against me.

I am who You say I am. I am who You say I am. (chorus)

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God. Yes I am.

In my Father's house, there's a place for me. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.

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GARMENTS OF PRAISE (by Jamie Harvill)

(chorus) *Put on the garments of praise for the spirit of heaviness,*

Let the oil of gladness flow down from your throne.

Put on the garments of praise for the spirit of heaviness,

Your joy is my strength alone, my strength alone. (2x's)

Make these broken weary bones rise to dance again. Wet this dry and thirsty land with a river.

Lord our eyes are fixed on you and we are waiting for your garland of grace

as we praise your name. (chorus) Repeat verse

(the celebration) sing 4 times

Hallelujah, sing hallelujah, we give all honor and praise to your name!

Hallelujah, sing hallelujah, we trade our sorrows for garments of praise!

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE GLORIFY THY NAME (*Words & Music Donna Adkins*)

Father, we love You, We praise You, we adore You. Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, We praise You, we adore You. Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Spirit, we love You, We praise You, we adore You. Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name, Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

(1976,1981 Maranatha! Music)

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:20-33

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷ "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰ Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people ^[a] to myself." ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

MESSAGE

The Hour Has Come

Pastor Tom Korkuch

CLOSING SONG

Gift of Love

Sharon Reeve, soloist

BENEDICTION

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, etc. Thank you!

THE CHANCEL BOUQUET is given to the Glory of God and in appreciation for Pastor Tom's ministry at First Church with blessings for his ministry at Park UMC in Bloomfield, NJ.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO: The family and friends of Mitzi Adamson who passed away and also to the family and friends of Bob Rodriguez who also passed away this week.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Anne Grogan (daughter of Dee Dee Langshaw), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), John Chwastyk, Mary Raroha, John & Catharine Carty, Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber - her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Dan LaFon, Donna Lasoski, Walter Colby (brother-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Steve Heller, Jon King (Lisa Kulp's brother), Linda Wanagas' friend Bern and her father Thomas Alessio.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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