

Order of Worship

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

*We lift up prayers for the community, our church family,
staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.*

Prelude	“O Perfect Love”	arr. George Lachenauer
Welcome		Rev. Dr. George K. Howle
* Opening Hymn	“To God Be the Gory”	UMH #98
* Affirmation of Faith		Jennifer Hupko
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.		
* The Gloria Patri		
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.		
Pastoral Prayer		Jennifer Hupko
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
Children’s Message		Julia Brooks
<i>(11:00 Children, ages 3 to grade 1, may be dismissed to Little Church-Wesley Bldg.)</i>		
* Hymn of Preparation	“My Jesus I Love Thee”	UMH #172
Sermon Text	1 John 4:7-21	Gerrie Watson 8:30 Carol Anne Felts 11:00
Anthem	“Tell Me the Story of Jesus” Adult Handbell Choir, <i>Jayne Smith, Director</i>	arr. Ingram
Sermon	“The Meaning of Love”	Rev. Meredith M. Dark
* Closing Hymn	“Seek Ye First”	UMH #405
* Benediction		Rev. Dark
Postlude	“Andante con moto”	J.E. Kindermann

(* Please stand as you are able.)

UMH #98**“To God Be the Glory”**

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God;
 the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *[Refrain]*

Great things he hath taught us great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
 but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *[Refrain]*

UMH #172**“My Jesus, I Love Thee”**

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign.
 My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first lov-ed me, and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
 I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
 I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

UMH #405**“Seek Ye First”**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
 and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find;
 knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Virginia P. Hucks for her 95th birthday on May 5th by her grandchildren.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: June 27; July 11, 18, 25. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 x207 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

We welcome those visiting with us today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Sunday Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM or on the website (www.fumcmb.org), on our mobile app, or on FOX TV Sundays at 10AM on channel 7 (one week delay).

Assisting in Worship**USHERS**

8:30 Harry Branton, Jerry Champion, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Jack Rebeck, Toby Ward

11:00 Neal Bowers, Preston Bowers, Dan Schuler, Don Myers