Order of Worship Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024—11 a.m.

"Enter to worship. Depart to serve."

Our worship service is broadcast on the radio each Sunday morning at 8:00 AM on KELB, 100.5 FM

MUSICAL OFFERING

Vocal Quartet

Josh Noyola, Jacob Voisin, Jacob St.Mary, Juan Campos (This time should be used for meditation and preparation for worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Weldon Bares

CHIMES

PRELUDE

"Great is Thy Faithfulness

with JS Bach's Prelude in C Major" arr. Mark Hayes

Piano Solo by Michelle Mercer

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus prayed for his disciples, Pastor: giving them into God's care. Response:

Pastor:

Jesus prays for us.

giving us into God's care. Response:

*OPENING PRAYER

God, we are thankful that we are able to gather in person and on-line to offer you our praise. We give thanks for the strength you provide. We rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Thank you for guiding us by your Word and Spirit to walk in the path that leads to life. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN "All Creatures of our God and King" No. 62

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Ann Courville

"I Need Thee Every Hour" **HYMN** No. 397

Psalm 22 Response 2 Verses 1-5 No. 752 *PSALTER

Rev. Mel Yorks

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Steffanie Pace

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.

*THE SCRIPTURE READING

John 17:20-26

Rev. Steffanie Pace

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "The Prayer that Jesus Prayed For Us" Rev. Weldon Bares

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881 The Apostles' Creed 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.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

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.

OFFERING

ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Robert Hunter

"Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" *DOXOLOGY No. 95

"They'll Know We Are Christians" *CLOSING HYMN

see insert

*BENEDICTION

CHIMES

*POSTLUDE "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love" Mark Hayes arr. Marvin Gaspard

^{*}Please stand if able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Text in Church:** Don't forget to check in today and every Sunday via "Text in Church". If you have not connected before, text "CONNECT" to 217-247-1263. After connecting, text "HERE" to register attendance, "GIVE" to submit an offering, and "PRAY" to submit a prayer request.
- **Listening Devices:** If you are having difficulty hearing any part of the service, we have listening devices available for you to use. They are located in the Narthex and are sanitized between each use.
- **Blood Drive:** LifeShare Blood Center is here today from 9am to 1pm! The bus will be located in the parking lot near the First Methodist School.
- **New Bible Study:** Rev. Steffanie will be leading a study on Sandra Richter's "Jonah" starting May 1. The study will be on Wednesdays at both 10am and 6pm in Room 109. All are welcome!
- **Day of Prayer:** Thursday, May 2. Stop by the Worship Center anytime between 9am and 3pm to pray for as little or as long as you would like.
- The General Conference of the United Methodist Church is meeting in Charlotte, North Carolina from April 23 to May 3. Let's pray for our General Conference during this time. On Sunday, May 5, at 10 AM in the Worship Center, Rev. Weldon will present an informational recap of the conference. Everyone is invited.
- Parent Night Out: Friday, May 10 from 5:30- 9 pm. This is the perfect opportunity for parents to enjoy an evening off while your kids have a blast. Please sign up on forms located outside the Worship Center and Paxton Hall.
- Mother's Day Pictures: Please send in pictures to celebrate Mother's Day. We will have a slideshow after our 9 am service on Sunday, May 12th. Please email your pictures (with each mother's full name) to marykathryn.norman@fumclc.org.
- **Vacation Bible School July 8-12** Registration is now open for this year's VBS. See the front page of our website for more information.
- Ladies' Lunch and Learn: Rev. Weldon will be leading a 3-week study on the book of James at Cousin's on Thursdays, May 16, 23 & 30 at noon. The cost of the meal is \$25 per person. Please sign up on the forms located outside the Worship Center and Paxton hall or by calling the church office.
- **Astros Road Trip:** Saturday, June 1–Astros vs. Twins! We will charter a bus for the trip. Please sign up to reserve your spot.
- Collection Corner: We have many opportunities for donations at FUMCLC. Our collection table outside Paxton Hall is now accepting Community Coffee labels for Kaufman Elementary, peanut butter and jelly for Faith and Friends Food Pantry, mosquito spray, hand wipes, and blessing bags for our Homeless Ministry. Thank you for supporting our local community!



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First United Methodist Church, Lake Charles April 28, 2024 Traditional Worship Hymn Lyric Sheet

HYMN 62 "All Creatures of our God and King"

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, O Praise Ye! Alleluia! O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam!

Refrain: O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. O brother wind, air, clouds, and rain, by which all creatures ye sustain, O praise ye! Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice! *Refrain*

- 3. O sister water, flowing clear, make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia! Alleluia! O brother fire who lights the night, providing warmth, enhancing sight, *Refrain*
- 4. Dear mother earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way, Alleluia! Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, let them God's glory also show! *Refrain*

HYMN 397 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

1. I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee;

O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

- 3. I need thee every hour, in joy or pain; come quickly and abide, or life is vain. (Refrain)
- 4. I need thee every hour; teach me thy will; and thy rich promises in me fulfill. (Refrain)

HYMN "They'll Know We Are Christians"

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

- 2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (*Refrain*)
- 3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, we will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we'll
- guard human dignity and save human pride: (*Refrain*)
- 4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (*Refrain*)