

May 13, 2018 7th Sunday of Easter 10AM

Please gather quietly respecting those who are using this time for prayer and quiet reflection.

Gathering Praise The Lord Who Reigns Above Forest

Welcome and Announcements

Centering You Are My All in All Jemigan Palk Family Singers

Call to Worship

Good morning, friends and neighbors! Of all the places you could be on a Sunday morning, why are you here?

We come seeking the blessing of the Risen One in community.

We come to celebrate the presence of the One who knows our hearts and guides our choices.

We come to witness to the Risen One at work in our community.

The Risen One at work in us, offering us eternal life:

Opening our minds to God's justice,

our hearts to God's mercy,

our world to the place where God is all in all.

Eternal life starting here, starting now:

let us celebrate!

+ Hymn #444 Rain Down

+ Gathering Prayer

God of all wisdom, give us visions of the life you intend for us. Make your ways our ways. Guide us in building a Spirit-led community that bears fruit which is pleasing to you and beneficial to our neighbors. Amen

+Gloria Patri #734

Rose Bake Senior Center Presentation

Lucy Sheehan

WGTCC Recognition of Their Work

Anthem You Raise Me Up

Løvland & Graham
Frank Stewart

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

(debts / debtors)

+ Hymn #438 On Eagle's Wings

Scripture: Psalm 1, Acts 1: 15 – 17, 21 - 26
Sung Response "Amen"

Message God Knows and Calls Us

Rev. Mike Gelsomini

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering Spirit of the Living God

Frank Stewart

+ Sung Response

(tune #147)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

+ Blessing of Our Gifts

Holy One, may these gifts nourish your beloved children with wisdom, compassion, and creativity so that your beloved community is deepened and recognized: eternal life made manifest in the here and now. Amen.

Hymn #344 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

+ Sending and Blessing

From the comfort of this place,
to the discomfort of discipleship,

we will go to serve your people, Loving God.

Weeding community gardens which feed the hungry,
tutoring children after school,

we will go to wrap others in your grace, Jesus our Brother.

Listening to the stories of the ignored,
learning the language of our newest neighbors,
**we will go to discover the truth you share in every moment,
Spirit of Wisdom.**

+ # 614 Let There Be Peace on Earth

+ *Those who are able, please stand.*

Calendar and Announcements

May

Today– CE Activity, Appreciation of Rose Baker Center,
Mother's Day.

16th – Community Meal

20th – CE Activity, Council at 11:30AM

June

3rd – Communion Sunday, CE Activity

Prayer Service at the Old Site, we will be leaving the church at
11:30AM

10th – Deacons Meeting, 11:30AM

17th – Father's Day, Celebration Sunday

24th – Council Meeting 11:30AM

Please note that Rev. Mike will be on vacation from May 14th –
21st. In the case of a pastoral emergency, please call our head
deacon Margie Akerley at 978 283 2323. She will be in contact
with Rev. Alice who will be covering for emergencies.

Worship Resources – UCC Worship Ways, Thom Shuman and Prayers for All Seasons

Ministers – The Congregation

Pastor and Teacher- Rev. Michael Gelsomini

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**No Matter Who You Are,
Or Where You Are on Life's Journey
You are Welcome Here**