May 7, 2023 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

Gathering Music ~ Leigh Emmett

Welcome and Announcements ~ Don Tulley, liturgist

Prelude

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader:. God has gathered us together this day, friends, to worship.

People: God has brought us from North and South, East and West.

Leader: From times of joy and times of sorrow, Jesus has called to us.

People: Our God has brought us close to God's love and to the love of the

community of faith! We praise you Lord! Amen.

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #370 ~ "This Is My Father's World"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Jesus, you have shown us what is good and what the Lord requires of us. You have prepared a place for us in heaven and in the Kingdom of God. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we do not understand. Forgive us, Lord, for the times when we falsely believe that there is scarcity in your Kingdom. Remind us of your teachings in Scripture and move through us to serve you today and all our days. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #625 ~ "How Great Thou Art!" (refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

Passing the Peace Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #399 ~ "God Welcomes All" God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

Offering Prayer

*Doxology#606 ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Avery & Marsh) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Special Music ~ "He Must Be Love" (L. Alexander) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ John 14:1-14

Message ~ "Many Rooms"

*Hymn #240 ~ "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation#469 ~ "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison

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.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ~ responsive Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them to the Lord. Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

"All Belong Here"~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am. Come and remember you belong here. All belong here. At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding's ok. At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace. Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am. Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #634 ~ "To God Be the Glory"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #614 ~ "Great Are You, Lord"

Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love. Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise. Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

Postlude

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Thank you to the VanEcks for providing a bountiful salad bar for the ROMANS event on Sunday and to all who put their creative skills to work in making floral arrangements. Well done!

Life Together Book Study Potluck with Pastor Nate - Wednesdays @ 6:30PM through May 31, 2023 - Room 11. Please sign up in the lobby. Also available virtually on Google Meet.

FYI: April Income: \$10,969.14; April Expenses: \$20,735.53 Consumers Energy and DTE – 4 months: \$25,456.48

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE



Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August and Faith Kornowicz Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson Nate Statly ~ friend of Joey Nicholas Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips; sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham Sharon and George and Rita Czanko ~ cousins of Terry Earnley Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz Ray and Mary Clark \sim neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz Macavlah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck

Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit

Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright

Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham

Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet

Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour

David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook

Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo

Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank

Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis



This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

TEXT: Donald Fishel, 1971

MUSIC: Donald Fishel, 1971; arr. Betty Pulkingham and Donald Fishel, 1979 Text and Music © 1973 International Liturgy Publications ALLELUIA NO. 1 8.8 with refrain



When pastor of a Presbyterian church in Lockport, New York, the author of this text referred to his morning walks as "going out to see my Father's world." The tune created for these words is based on an English melody the composer learned from his mother when he was a boy.

TEXT: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901 MUSIC: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915; harm. Edward Shippen Barnes, 1926, alt.



