Worship Service ~ May 8, 2022, 10:30 Fourth Sunday of Easter

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.
MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Broadcast is sponsored by Faith's Men of Faith Group in celebration of Mother's Day!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OPENING SONG House of God Forever

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!

L: In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock, and our redeemer. God hears us when we cry and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

~Silence for reflection~

L: Fountain of living water,

C: pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.

L: Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, our sins are \pm forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray, O God of peace,

C: you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A Gospel reading from the 10th chapter of John.

GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

SONG OF THE DAY You Never Let Go

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

MUSICAL OFFERING Remembrance (The Communion Song)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God of abundance,

C: you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG I Will Follow

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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