



How Shall We Love
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024
Order of Worship

WE GATHER

Opportunities Rev. Judy Owsley
Prelude Jo Jackson
"Be Strong In The Lord" Fettke
Bell Fanfare Heavenly Bells
"Hallelujah"
Welcome Rev. Deb Wacker

***Call to Worship**
 Easter people, Jesus chose you and calls you friend!
We abide in Christ because Christ abides in us.
 Jesus made a home among us to show us how to love.
We abide in Love because Love abides in us.
 Jesus invites us in and beckons us to come to the Table to know the joy that comes when we love one another the way God loves us.
We abide in Joy because Joy abides with us.
 Easter people, Jesus welcomes you home!
We come to make our home with God and one another, bound together by Love and enlivened by Joy. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** UMH #139 vs. 1&5
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Children's Message Karen Hobson
 (Bible Storytime for Children K-3rd grade. Follow Melissa.)

***Teacher Appreciation**

PREPARATION TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture: John 15:9-17 Rev. Judy Owsley
 Leader: The Word of God for the People of God
People: Thanks be to God

Words of Blessing Bishop Isaiah Deye of Kenya
 Rev. Dr. Donald Messer

We Respond

Hymn of Prayer: TFWS #2226
"Bind Us Together"

Prayers of the People Rev. Deb

Special Music Chancel Choir
"Because He Lives"
 William and Gloria Gaither, Arr. by Jack Schrader.

Invitation to Holy Communion Rev. Judy

Confession
Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarreling, and divisiveness. Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy Communion
 The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to you, Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to praise you, O Lord.
 It is right...to the glory of your name:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
 Jesus...as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Sharing the Meal and Thanksgiving

Offertory Prayer Rev. Deb

Offertory Jo Jackson
"He's Got The Whole World In His Hands"
 Keverin

***Doxology** UMH #95

WE GO FORTH

Closing Hymn: UMH #557 vs. 1 & 4
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

***Benediction** Rev. Deb

Postlude Jo Jackson
"Praise To The Lord, The Almighty" arr Anne K. Organ

Prayers

Bryson Hatfield, grandson of the Aisnsworths, undergoing medical tests.

Rena Prescott for severe pain and leg.

Lowell Custard, brother of Joyce Rockwell.

Maxine Rummel, right knee replacement this Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

Judy Lykins, is scheduled to come home today from St. Francis.

Rhonda Von Lührte, a friend of Sara Simon, for comfort and strength after post-hip surgery complications.

Michael Greene, a friend of Sara Simon, in the loss of his son.

Wanda Heyns is struggling with medical care, high blood pressure, Apnea, and Asthma.

Pam Newman recovering from surgery at home.

Jack Whitney fell on his bad hip, diagnosed with a blood clot; preparing for Arterial surgery in mid-May.

Walter Irwin, cousin in law of Sharon Irwin, receiving a double lung transplant in North Carolina.

Brian Salladay, son of June and brother of Christy Malone, who experienced a setback and was moved to a medical floor for labored breathing.

June Salladay as she recovers from a severe bout of stomach trouble, with a trip to the ER.

Vicky Sams for health issues.

Ken Wacker Sr. overcoming cancer.

Our "WAVES", our country and its leaders; Our World
Serving in mission: Kutela Katembo, Angola, Africa.

Opportunities

NATIVE GRACE

A United Methodist Ministry in Southern Colorado

May Mission Focus

Native Grace is a Native American fellowship that holds Sunday worship in the building of the Cortez United Methodist Church. The two congregations work together to support families (especially the elderly) living on the Navajo Reservation in the Four Corners area.

We want to continue supporting Native Grace as they offer a place where Christian faith and Native traditions come together ... a place where children can learn about their heritage as they grow to love Jesus Christ. If you're able to help, you may write a check, payable to CUMC and designated for Native Grace or drop currency in the pottery bowl at the sanctuary doors.

AND AGAIN: CANNED VEGETABLES

Groceries for the Backpack Project

Our church fills 60 backpacks every month for 3 schools: Mitchell HS, Swiegert MS and Wilson Elementary.

We need a total of 60 cans of **Cut Green Beans** or **Peas** or **Sweet Corn** (not creamed corn). The Walmart store brand is the lowest cost.

MANY WAYS TO HELP

Welcoming Families to Be Our Guests

May 19-26, 2024

Our church is preparing to host four families who are temporarily homeless starting on Sunday, May 19.

Please, consider how you might help:

1. assisting with set-up on 5/19 or take-down on 5/26
2. providing dinner one evening
3. being an evening host (5:00 – 8:30)
4. spending one night
5. making a donation to help with the cost of groceries. (Write a check payable to CUMC, marked IHN.)

[Sign-up sheets are in Fellowship Hall](#)

QUESTIONS? Talk with Pat Dudgeon: 951-255-5538
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Presence

Sanctuary 63, Online 12

Total: 75

Gifts:

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| Apr 28 th | Apr 21 st | Apr 14 th | Apr 7 th |
| \$5644 | \$1045 | \$6364 | \$6637 |