

Perry Hall United Methodist Church

April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

(**Stand as you are able)

WELCOME – RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ Please sign the Ritual of Friendship and pass down the row. When everyone has signed, please pass it back to the center, noting those on your row that you may not know. Be sure to greet them after the service! ~

ORGAN PRELUDE "In The Garden" Gerald Peterson

CHORAL INTROIT "Psalm 68" Chinese melody

****OPENING HYMNS** "How Great Thou Art" pg. 77 UMH

** CALL TO WORSHIP

L: For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality.

P: When this perishable body puts on imperishability and this mortal body puts on immortality, and the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

L: "Where, O death, is your victory?"

P: Where, O death, is your sting?"

OPENING PRAYER

Grandfather, Great Spirit, you have always been, and before you nothing has been. There is no one to pray to but you. The star nations all over the heaven are yours, and yours are the grasses of the earth. You are older than all need, older than all pain and prayer. Grandfather, Great Spirit, fill us with light. Give us strength to understand and eyes to see. Teach us to walk the soft earth as relatives to all that live. Help us, for without you we are nothing. Amen.

CHILDREN'S STORY

****PRAISE SONGS** "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
"I Will Sing, I will Sing"
"Protector of My Soul"
"O Lord, You're Beautiful"

CELEBRATION OF OUR SHARED MINISTRY

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC "Hallelujah" Leonard Cohen
Rob Zell, Tenor

****SCRIPTURE** John 15:1-8 pg. 109 – **The Gospel**
(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

THE MESSAGE "God Is a Gardener" **Rev. Margery Schammel**

****CLOSING HYMN** "All Creatures of Our God and King" pg. 62 UMH

**BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

ORGAN POSTLUDE "Song of Triumph" David Wion



Children's Story – Debbie Siegert

Acolyte – Leona Mager

MESSAGE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

"God Moves First" – John 15:9-17

OUR PRAYER LIST

Danny Benner, those suffering with cancer, debilitating illnesses, addictions, those in war-torn countries, those affected by the bridge collapse, and those needing ongoing prayer.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Coffee Hour after service
Monday
Tuesday Bible Class w/Sherry 11 am
Scouts 6-7 pm & 7:30-8:30 pm
Wednesday Praise Band and Choir Practice 7 pm
Thursday WISH Group 10:30 am
UMF 7 pm
Scouts 6:15-7:30 pm
Friday KC Dance 5:30-8:30 pm
Saturday Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm

Looking for a few good men!! No, we're not the army – we are the United Methodist Men's group. On Saturday, May 11th, we will make Mother's Day weekend extra special for the ladies of the church. We will be preparing and serving a Ladies Tea Party, followed by some entertainment. We really need YOU to help us! Please contact Dan Walker at 410-733-0572. Need food prep, servers, and entertainers!

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