



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

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First United Methodist Church

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

May 22, 2022 – 10:30 A.M.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Welcome! Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. Whether you are a first-time visitor or long-time member, we're glad you are here. (*Stand, if able.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND FOR PEACE

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Respond in Bold)

Liturgist

L: We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

P: In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.

L: In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!

P: Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!

L: Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

P: Praise be to God. Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Liturgist

How magnificent the sight must be! The vision of John proclaims a crystal river flowing from God's throne, comforting light, peace and hope for all God's people. Darkness is vanquished. Open our eyes and our hearts to catch a glimpse of this vision. Help us to place our trust in you, that we may faithfully serve you, knowing what awaits our eyes in glory. Amen.

*HYMN

"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"

UMH # 589

PASTORAL PRAYER

Katie Lamoureux

The Lord's Prayer

"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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen"

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tiffany Charles

*HYMN

"Spirit Song"

UMH # 347

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Liturgist

God of the mountains and the valleys, of the dry places and oceans: Your voice speaks to us across creation; the flowers and the trees sing of your majesty; and the stars of the night speak of how much we still don't know. As we offer gifts to you and speak our words of gratitude, help us to hear your voice anew. Give us ears to hear, faith to believe, and determination to truly listen to how you would send us into a hurting world. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

UMH #881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

***GLORY PATRI**

UMH #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Liturgist

Lord, You know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So we sit here and wonder where you are. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered also, who feared. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Liturgist

Let the light of God's eternal love flood into your hearts this day. Feel the healing presence of God in your lives. Accept God's love and hope for you. This is the gift freely given for you by Jesus Christ, God's risen Son our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

John 14:23-29

Liturgist

SERMON

Katie Lamoureux

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

"There's Within My Heart a Melody"

UMH # 380

***BENEDICTION**

Katie Lamoureux

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Sela Finau, Pastor

Katie Lamoureux, Guest Preacher

Debby Vester, Organist & Director of Music Ministry

Tiffany Charles, Director of Children's Ministry & MDO

Tiffany Charles, Liturgist & Children's Time

HOW TO JOIN FUMC TAYLOR

Are you being led to become a part of this fellowship of believers? Do you desire to grow in the likeness of Jesus Christ? We invite you to join as a full member of the FUMC family! While the closing hymn is sung, you may come forward and make a commitment to follow Jesus through his local body of FUMC Taylor in prayer, presence, gifts, service and witness. Please also send us a message to

office@fumctaylor.org.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

UMH # 48

For Pastoral emergencies, outside of office hours, please contact
Rev. Finau at 817-874-3533.

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