# Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

May 29, 2022

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

For the safety of every worshipper, please observe the following guidelines regardless of your vaccine status.

- Wear a mask covering your mouth and nose all the time during worship.
- Keep social distancing in your sanctuary seating.
- Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.

Prelude

William Ness, organ

Variations on *Now the Green Blade Riseth* Elegy in F

Franklin Ashdown b. 1942

George Thalben-Ball 1896-1987

**Greeting & Announcement** 

\*Call to Worship

Debbie O'Driscoll, Liturgist

One: God reigns! Let the earth rejoice!

Many: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of God's throne.

One: The heavens proclaim God's righteousness;

Many: And all the peoples behold God's glory.

One: God loves those who hate evil,

Many: God protects the lives of the faithful.

One: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Many: Rejoice in God, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!

\*Hymn

We Know That Christ Is Raised

**UMH 610** 

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!

We share by water in his saving death. Reborn, we share with him an Easter life as living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing. Alleluia!

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<sup>\*</sup>Please Stand in Body or in Spirit

### I will lift up your name higher

I will lift up your name higher...

Great Jehovah you are wonderful I will lift up your name higher...

#### **Unto The Lord Be The Glory**

Unto the Lord be the glory. Great things He has done... Great things He has done. Greater things He will do. Unto the Lord be the glory. Great things He has done...

## Common Prayer (unison)

Great and mighty God, we praise you that Jesus Christ has ascended to rule at your right hand. We rejoice before the throne of his power and peace, for he has unmasked idols claiming our allegiance. We thank you that he alone is Lord of our lives. By your Spirit, give us freedom to love with his love, and to embrace the world with his compassion. Accept the offering of our lives, that we may obey your commands to serve in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### Children's Conversation

The Offering

Offertory Tranquilly in Eb Hubert Parry 1848-1918

\*Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayers of the People, & the Lord's Prayer

Lead Me, Guide Me TFWS 2214

Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me, I cannot stray. Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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.

Solo Ed Laliberte, tenor
In Christ Alone Lloyd Larson b. 1954

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

\*Gospel Reading John 17:20-26

Message Rev. Byungmoo Lee

\*Hymn We Are God's People TFWS 2220

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, born of the Spirit, established by the Word. Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Christ we stand; O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ, our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured.

Now let us learn how to return the gift of love once given;

O let us share each joy and care and live with a zeal that pleases heaven.

We are the body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey Christ, now risen from the dead.
God wills us be a family diverse, yet truly one;
O let us give our gifts to God and so shall God's work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace.

We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire; yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light and to inspire.

\*Shalom Mensah Essilfie

God's peace be unto you, We wish you Shalom! The peace of God which transcends all.

\*Benediction

Postlude Ascending Toccata David Hegarty b. 1945

Call to Worship – Psalm 97 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.

Common Prayer – *Book of Common Worship*, Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993, p. 335 ALT.

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