



Faith United Methodist Church
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May 14, 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist

Welcome to Faith United Methodist Church.

- Please use the QR code in your bulletin to record your attendance and prayer concerns today. You can even use this code to check in if you are watching online. If you have no idea what that means, don't worry about it, we've got you covered!
- Join us today as we continue to celebrate our graduates following worship with a reception in the Fellowship Hall.
- Love in Action announcement given by Source Collaborative representative.
- Please refer to additional announcements in the bulletin.

CENTERING

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

PRELUDE

Adoration

Composer: Bedrich Wiedermann, 1883-1951

Yeri So, Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist

ONE: O Divine Voice,

ALL: You sing and the universe comes into being;

ONE: O Divine Breath,

ALL: You breathe and all things spring to life;

ONE: O Divine Word,

ALL: You call and creation is sustained;

ONE: O Divine Flesh,

**ALL: You are born among us,
and the Creator is clothed in creation;**

ONE: O Divine Spirit,

ALL: You fill all that has been formed;

ONE: O Divine Life,

ALL: You are the pulse of all that is.

ONE: And so, in amazement and awe, in wonder and celebration
we marvel at this mystery:

In you all things live and move and have being,

In all things, you live and move and express your Divine artistry;

**ALL: And so we join with creation
in the eternal song of worship and wonder...
Amen.**

WORD

ANTHEM

The Prayer of St. Patrick

Composer: William M. Schoenfeld, b. 1949; Text by St. Patrick, 372-466

Publisher: Choristers Guild, 1989, 2012

Young Singers of Faith: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor and Jane Rall, Lay Leader

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

*HYMN #152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Words: Isaac Watts, 1715

Music: Traditional English melody, Arr.: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Congregation

Yeri So, Organ

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist

ALL: O Lord,
we have not lived our lives
as kingdom people.
We place our crowns
on hopelessness, fear,
and selfishness.
We are ruled by our schedules
and our need for control.
We make idols of the things we acquire
and our immediate desires.
We forget that your kingdom
draws near to us on earth,
as it is in heaven.

Forgive us, we pray.

Come, Lord,
and open in us
the gates of your kingdom. Amen.

ONE: The God of our Lord Jesus Christ
blesses us and calls us “kingdom people.”
In the name of the reigning Christ,
we are forgiven.

ALL: In the name of the reigning Christ,
we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE

Arvina Gadre Dalaya, Liturgist

John 14:15-21

MESSAGE: "An Advocate for Us"

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

WONDER

SILENT REFLECTION

ANTHEM

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Composer: John Rutter, b. 1945

Words: Mrs. C. F. Alexander, 1823-1895

Publisher: Oxford University Press, 1983

Chancel Choir: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist

WHAT NOW

A MOTHER MOMENT AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor; Arvina Dalaya Gadre, Liturgist and Jane Rall, Lay Leader

*HYMN #384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Words: Charles Wesley, 1747

Music: John Zundel, 1870

Congregation

Yeri So, Organ

SENDING FORTH

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

POSTLUDE

Marche Triomphale

Composer: Theodore Dubois, 1837-1924

Yeri So, Organ

SERVING US TODAY

Acolytes: William Hahs and Hannah Coppersmith

Altar Guild for May: Nancy Kneisly and Alma Rines

Audio Visual: Debbie Spriggs and Jason Spriggs

Chat Room Host: Linda Pickle

Fellowship Hosts: Lesley Avery and Caroline Hopkins

Liturgist: Arvina Dalaya Gadre

Nursery Staff: Gary Clark and Tessa Ricketts

Sunday School: Sally Stolz

Welcome Team: Bill Maas and Terrie Tuckman

FAITH UMC STAFF

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

André Coleman, Tenor Section Leader

Janice Harmon, Director of Care, Connection and Inter-Gen Nurture

Valerie Kunsman, Office Administrator

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Yeri So, Organist

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

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