



Faith United Methodist Church  
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May 7, 2023  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

## WE GATHER

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

Kristen Wayne, 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!
- Youth at Faith meet today in Room 206 following worship.
- We will recognize graduates of all kinds during next Sunday's worship service followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall. If you are graduating or have a graduate in your family, we invite you to send a photo and information about the graduate's future plans to the church office this week so we can include information in the bulletin.

## CENTERING

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

## PRELUDE

Gavotte from *French Suite No. 5, BWV 816*

Composer: Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750

Dr. Michael Wu, Piano

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Kristen Wayne, Liturgist

ONE: We gather to worship in the name of Jesus Christ,

**ALL: our living cornerstone,  
who, though rejected by the world,  
was chosen and precious in God's sight.**

ONE: And like living stones,  
let us be built up into a spiritual house for God,

**ALL: offering sacrifices of worship and praise that are pleasing in his sight.**

**Let's worship God together!**

**WORD**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

**ANTHEM**

*My Refuge, My Fortress*

Composer: Jane Marshall, 1924-2019; quoting the tune St. Anne, with text from Psalm 91 and Isaac Watts

Music: The Sacred Music Press

Chancel Choir: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Kristen Wayne, Liturgist

**SCRIPTURE**

Kristen Wayne, Liturgist

1 Peter 2:2-10

**Message: "Let Us Be Built"**

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

**WONDER**

**SILENT REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN: "For Everyone Born"**

Arr.: Tom Treney, living; Birnamwood Publications, 2016

Words: Shirley Erena Murray; Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL

Music: Brian Mann, 2006; administered by General Board of Global Ministries t/a GBGMusick

Congregation

Dr. Michael Wu, Piano

For everyone born, a place at the table

For everyone born, clean water and bread

A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,

For everyone born, a star overhead.

**REFRAIN:**



And God \_\_\_\_\_ will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



joy, \_\_\_\_\_ com - pas - sion and peace: \_\_\_\_\_ yes,



God \_\_\_\_\_ will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice, \_\_\_\_\_



jus - tice and joy! \_\_\_\_\_

For all who share life, a place at the table,  
revising the roles, deciding the share,  
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,  
for all who share life, a system that's fair,

#### **REFRAIN**

For young and for old, a place at the table,  
A voice to be heard, a part in the song.  
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,  
For young and for old, the right to belong.

#### **REFRAIN**

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
To live without fear, and simply to be,  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
For everyone born, the right to be free!

#### **REFRAIN**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor and Janice Harmon, Director of Care, Connection and Inter-Gen Nurture

## INVITATION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray:

**ALL: Merciful God, we confess that often we have failed to be  
an obedient Church.**

**We have not done your will; we have broken your law;**

**We have rebelled against your love;**

**we have not loved our neighbors,**

**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

Our "Blessing Box" outside the entrance by the church office continues to be a well-used resource in our community. Anyone can add items and take items. We welcome toiletry and non-perishable food contributions. Please pick up a brown bag in the Narthex as you leave today, fill it and return to the Narthex or church office.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Kristen Wayne, Liturgist

### WHAT NOW

\*HYMN #545

*The Church's One Foundation*

Words: Samuel J. Stone, 1866

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

Congregation

Dr. Michael Wu, Organ

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

### SENDING FORTH

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

VIDEO: Table Benediction from The Work of the People

## POSTLUDE

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

Spiritual; Arr.: Calvin Taylor, b. 1948

Music: Calvin Taylor Publishing

Dr. Michael Wu, Piano

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## SERVING US TODAY

Acolytes: William Hahs and Hannah Coppersmith

Altar Guild for May: Nancy Kneisly and Alma Rines

Audio Visual: Brian Hahs, Jason Spriggs and Eric Winchenbach

Chat Room Host: Linda Pickle

Fellowship Hosts: Bill and Janice Jones and Baptista Family

Liturgist: Kristen Wayne

Nursery Staff: Mary Gordon and Tessa Ricketts

Sunday School: Janice Jones and Sunny Keene

Welcome Team: Bill and Lloydie Zaiser

Youth Team: David Cope, Andrea Marchesotti, Suzanne Smedberg and Kristen Wayne

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given by Carol Dismukes in loving memory of her husband, Doug Dismukes.

## 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

Tessa Ricketts, Nursery Staff

Fred Rosetty, Financial Manager

Yeri So, Organist

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

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