

May 12th, 2024
7th Sunday of Easter
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Take Time to Be Holy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET HYMN: Kum Ba Yah #494

SILENT PRAYER

***HYMN: Holy Holy #2039**

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

P: We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

L: Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

P: We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God’s love to the world.

L: How will you share God’s love with the world?

P: By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

L: Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

P: Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ’s love and belonging everywhere we go.

Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2023

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Holy God, help us, empower us, equip us, enable us by the power of your Holy Spirit to change our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it’s easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don’t look like we look, love like we love, or speak like we speak. We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We know that you have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living, and we ask you to do that. Give us the courage to change. Give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be your people in all we think and say and do. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 1
John 17:6-19

***HYMN: What a Friend We Have in Jesus #526**

THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED

Jesus Prays for Us – Let us Pray!

Nancy Goddard, Certified Lay Minister

GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

OFFERTORY

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

***DOXOLOGY #95**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR

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.

***HYMN: My Life Is in You Lord #2032**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE:

**Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*
