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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 1st, 2022, 10:00 am

# Third Sunday of Easter

# Mental Health Sunday

## Music as We Gather

## Gathering

## The lighting of the outreach, unity and Christ Candles

**Introit:** “Take, O Take Me as I am” MV#85

Take, O take me as I am;  
 summon out what I shall be  
 set your seal upon my heart  
 and live in me.

## Recognition of the Land

May the peace of Christ be with you.

## And also with you!

# Welcome and Announcements

## Call to Worship:

We gather together in a place where all belong.

**All are loved here.**

We will do our part to leave no one in the margins.

**May we ensure radical hospitality for all who enter here.**

We are here to worship together as one human family.

**We lift our hearts to you, Creator, and worship in your name.**

**Hymn:**            “Come and Find the Quiet Centre”            VU#374

Come and find the quiet centre  
in the crowded life we lead,  
find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed:  
clear the chaos and the clutter,  
clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us,  
cools the heat and slows the pace,  
God it is who speaks and names us,  
knows our being, face to face,  
making space within our thinking,  
lifting shades to show the sun,  
raising courage when we're shrinking,  
finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our loves and fears unravel,  
celebrate the space we gain:  
there's a place for deepest dreaming,  
there's a time for heart to care,

in the Spirit's lively scheming  
there is always room to spare!

## **Opening Prayer**

## **Listening**

## **Minute for Mission**

## **Children's Time / Time for all Ages**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn:** "Spirit, Open My Heart"

MV#79

***Refrain:***

*Spirit, open my heart  
to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love,  
in receiving and in giving,  
Spirit, open my heart.*

God, replace my stony heart  
with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear  
to your grace I now surrender. **R**

Write your love upon my heart  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed,  
may my living bring you glory. **R**

May I weep with those who weep,  
share the joy of sister, brother.  
In the welcome of Christ,  
may we welcome one another. **R**

**Scriptures:** John 21:1-19

The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Special Music:** **Give Thanks for Life**  
*offered by Thea Koenig Burton*

**Message:** **Do You Love Me?** *Pastor Katie*

**\*Hymn:** "When Hands Reach Out" MV#136 Vs. 1,4,5  
When hands reach out and fingers trace  
the beauty of a loved one's face,  
we thank you, God, that love relies  
on gifts of grace not seen with eyes.

And when the ways we learn and grow  
are not the ways that others know,  
we thank you, God, that we have learned  
your love's a gift, and never earned.

Your Spirit gives us differing ways  
to serve you well and offer praise.  
When all are joined as one, we'll be  
your able, strong community.

**Celebrating**

## **Prayers of the People**

**\*Hymn:** “We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection”

VU#586

We shall go out with hope of resurrection;  
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;  
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;  
tales of a love that will not let us go.  
We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;  
we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;  
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united  
within the vision of new life in Christ.

We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken;  
we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed;  
we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,  
expressive love alive in every heart.  
We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping,  
raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,  
we'll leap and dance the resurrection story,  
including all in circles of our love.

## **Commissioning**

### **Benediction**

The God of forgiveness bless you,  
the grace of Christ keep you,  
and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit strengthen you.  
Let us go now in peace, to love and to serve.  
And the people said ... **AMEN!**