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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 7th, 2023, 10:00 am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Camping Sunday

Foodbank Sunday

Music as We Gather

Gathering

*** Introit:** "O God, Send Out Your Spirit" MV #25 (R)

O God, send out your Spirit; renew the face of the earth.

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Lighting of the Outreach, Unity, and Christ Candles

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Call to Worship:

I can hear the winds howling in the trees!

We see the rain pouring down the windows!

This is the storm of life, one that does not seem to stop.

We find refuge in Jesus, our God.

In the face of the storm let us worship together!
Even bad weather can't keep us down!

*** Hymn:** "I've Got Peace Like a River" VU #577

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul. (Repeat verse)

I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul. (Repeat verse)

I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul. (Repeat verse)

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

The Lord's Prayer VU #910

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, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

*** Camp Hymn: “This Little Light of Mine”**

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, oh let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, oh let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, oh let it shine.

Time For Camping

Minute for Mission

Scripture:

Psalm 46

Matthew 8:23-27

God's defense of His City and People.

Jesus stills the storm.

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

Anthem: **Spirit Song** *Martin/Martin*
Offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: Standin' in the Eye of the Hurricane
Pastor Katie Logan

*** Hymn:** "Over My Head" MV #88

Refrain:

**Over my head, I hear music in the air.
Over my head, I hear music in the air.
Over my head, I hear music in the air.
There must be a God somewhere.**

When the storms of life are raging
I hear music in the air.
When the storms of life are ragin'
I hear music in the air.
When the storms of life are ragin;
I hear music in the air.
There must be a God somewhere.

Additional Verses:

2. When the winds of strife are blowing....
3. When the tide of hate is risin'...
4. O Jesus is a-callin'...

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

*** Offertory:** "What Can I Do?"

MV #191

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

*** Offertory Prayer:**

**Loving God, accept our time, talents, and treasures
for the work of your church, in this community, in
our camps and in our world. We lift these gifts up
to spread your goodness all around. In Jesus'
name, we pray. Amen**

Prayers of the People

*** Hymn:** "He's Got the Whole World"

He's got the whole world in his hands (x4)

He's got the wind and the rain in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, brother, in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me, sister, in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got everybody here in his hands (x3)
He's got the whole world in his hands.

*** 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!**

***Hymn of Benediction: Amen**

VU #967

Postlude