

Worship with Song

**Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone** W&S, 3104

## To Breath God In

Children's Time & Recognition of Mothers

Tim Barany

Reading of Scripture Acts 1.6-11, NRSVue

Hymn of Preparation

**Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies** UMH, 173

Reading of Scripture Isaiah 6.1-8, NRSVue

Words from the past made new for us today.

**Thanks be to God!**

Message Rev. Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox

Worship with Music and Reflection

Worship with our Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offertory

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Worship with Baptism

. . . Do you, as Christ's body, the Church,  
reaffirm both your rejection of sin  
and your commitment to Christ?

**We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian  
faith and life and include Madeline now before  
you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good  
news and live according to the example  
of Christ. We will surround these persons  
with a community of love and forgiveness,  
that they may grow in their trust of God,  
and be found faithful in their service to others.  
We will pray for them,  
that they may be true disciples  
who walk in the way that leads to life.**

. . . When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt,  
you led them to freedom through the sea.  
Their children you brought through the Jordan  
to the land which you promised.

**Sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
Tell of God's mercy each day.**

. . . He called his disciples to share in the baptism  
of his death and resurrection and to make  
disciples of all nations.

**Declare Christ's works to the nations,  
his glory among all the people.**

. . . to wash away their sin and clothe them in  
righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying  
and being raised with Christ, they may share in  
his final victory.

**All praise to you, Eternal Father,  
through your Son Jesus Christ,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit  
lives and reigns for ever.  
Amen.**

. . . Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister  
in Christ.

**Through baptism  
you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit  
into God's new creation  
and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood.  
We are all one in Christ Jesus.  
With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you  
as members of the family of Christ.**

Hymn of Blessing:

***At The Font We Start Our Journey***  
W&S, 2114, vs. 1-3, 5

Benediction

***Go Now in Peace***, by Natalie Sleeth

*Go now in peace  
May the Love of God surround you  
Everywhere, Everywhere  
you may go*

*Thank You for Serving*

**Pastor** Rev. Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox  
**Liturgist** Robin Martins  
**Children's Time** Tim Barany  
**Musicians** Sandi Kersten  
**Song Leaders** Jenny Lynn Girvan, Ken & Elaine Konyha,  
**Ushers** Harry Barter & Patti Davidson  
**Tech:** Keith Danielson, Dan Girvan, & John Faas

**Alter Flowers given in loving memory of our mothers** Elaine (& Lee) Curtis



**SUNDAY, May 12**

- ⇒ 9:15 am Small Group Study
- ⇒ 10:30 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- ⇒ Fellowship Time

**MONDAY, May 13**

- ⇒ 10 am, Senior Stretch, Wesley Room
- ⇒ 10:30 am, Finance & Operations Team, Music Room



**TUESDAY, May 14**, 10:30 am, Worship Team

**WEDNESDAY, May 15**, Community Dinner - Ratatouille

**THURSDAY, May 16**

- ⇒ 10 am, Senior Stretch, Wesley Room
- ⇒ 6:30 pm, Bell Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

**FRIDAY, May 17**, 10 am, Prayers & Squares,  
Wesley & Music Rooms

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**Be the Breath of God in Community**

**Our Vision:** To be the Breath of God in Community  
**Our Values:** Loving God, Serving Others, Welcoming All



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The Breath of God in Community

**Ascension Sunday**  
May 12, 2024

**We Gather Together**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Clap your hands and sing for joy!  
**Christ is in our midst and in our lives.**  
Clap your hands and sing for joy!  
**Christ calls us to worship and praise.**  
Let's worship God together.

\*Gathering Prayer

\*Worship with Song

***In Christ Alone*** W&S, 3105

\*Passing of the Peace

\* Please stand