Church is not a place; it is who we are.
Once we realize this, we can be the church anywhere.

# **Worship Service** ~ May 24, 2020 10:30

VISION: Be the body of Christ: welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith. MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

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OPENING SONGS All Creatures of Our God and King
Make a Joyful Noise/I Will Not be Silent

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

### MEMORIAL DAY LITANY

L: O God of the nations, while we enjoy our freedom here in this land, we are well aware that it has come at a price.

C: Let us remember those men and women who fought and died for our freedom.

L: O God of the nations, while we live and work in this land, we are well aware of the hard work and dedication of our ancestors.

C: Let us remember those men and women who served our country well.

L: O God of the nations, while we enjoy the life we have in this place, we are well aware of the commitments and sacrifices people made to fulfill their visions and their dreams.

C: Let us remember those men and women who worked to bring us a better life.

L: O God of the nations, while we enjoy freedom to worship you, we are well aware of what believers of the past endured to practice their religion.

C: Let us remember those men and women who faithfully followed God's call for their lives.

L: O God of the nations, while we enjoy the strength we have as a people, we are well aware of all that people have done to make so many rights and privileges available to us.

C: Let us remember all the people who have dedicated their lives to service. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray. Lord of the resurrection,

C: you died and were raised so that ultimately death would not prevail. Remind us daily that sin, and even death, have no power over us. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE WITH DEACON NINA

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians.

# 1st Corinthians 15:51-57

<sup>51</sup>Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

"Death has been swallowed up in victory."

55"Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?"

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

R: A Gospel reading from the 12th chapter of Mark.

#### Mark 12:26-27a

<sup>26</sup> And as for the dead being raised, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the story about the bush, how God said to him, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? <sup>27</sup> He is God not of the dead, but of the living; you are quite wrong."

SONG OF THE DAY Christ is Risen

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

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### OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: We pray,

C: In loving response to your many blessings, O God, we come with this offering of our time and treasure. May these gifts bring hope and healing to a world in need. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH L: Lord, in your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

# **BLESSING**

P: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG Be the Church

#### DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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