May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter Order of Worship 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

The Church Gathers

Joys & Concerns

Kyrie prayer: In Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Prelude: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH349

*Opening Hymn: "He Touched Me" UMH367

*Call to Worship: (responsively)

L: It is not difficult to be God's beloved child.

P: We are called to obey God's commandments and live in God's love!

L: The ways which God ordains are ways of peace and hope.

P: The love of God shall conquer the world.

L: Rejoice, O people of God, for God is near!

P: Praise God for God's power and might, God's love and peace. Amen.

Opening Prayer: (unison)

Loving, creative God,

as we gather here this day we hear your message of power and love through the witness of Jesus Christ as he prepared his disciples for his departure.

He gave to them the words of encouragement about living in your love, and through that love being witnesses to the whole world of your peace and hope.

Be with us this day, Lord.

Open our hearts and minds to receive your word. Amen.

We Offer Prayers & Praise

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed (traditional) UMH 881

Offering of Tithes & Gifts

Offertory

*Presentation & Response: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH95

Children's Message: Ron Weller

Special Music: James Carothers (8:30 am)
Ward's Chapel Choir (11:00 am)

We Meditate on God's Word

* Scripture Reading: Acts 9:32-43

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Jesus and I (3): The Story of Tabitha" Pastor Steven Cho

Holy Communion (see insert)

We Go Forth to Love & Serve

*Closing Hymn: "Go, Make of All Disciples" UMH571

*Benediction

*Postlude "Amen"

Announcements

The Church Goes Out to Love and Serve

- Hymns & prayers designated with FWS are found in the small black hymnal, The Faith We Sing.

Please note: The Order of Worship Is Subject to Change at Any Time At the Direction of The Holy Spirit!

^{*} If you are able, please stand.