

WESTLAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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MAY 21, 2017

10:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

(* the congregation is invited to stand as able)

Today Rev. Bob Remington will be leading all services as Rev. Mollie was invited to help with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the United Methodist Church of Macedonia.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE IN PRAISE

TOLLING OF THE CHIMES

The chimes call us to quiet and to prepare for worship. Reflect during the prelude about what a difference Jesus has made in your world.

GREETING

Welcome to WUMC! All members, friends, and visitors are invited to sign the Attendance register. Help us to keep our information up to date and get to know those worshipping near you! Also, please refer to the "FYI Welcome" insert for upcoming events!

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Prayer request cards are in the pews. If you have any concerns or celebrations please fill out a card. You may hand it to an usher or the pastor during music between scripture lessons (as indicated in the bulletin).

PRELUDE

"Land of Rest"

arr. Wilbur Held

*** CALL TO WORSHIP ****

L: Bless our God O people; let the sound of his praise be heard.

P: **The God who has kept us among the living,
and has not let our feet be moved.**

L: For you O God have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is refined.

P: **I will come into your house with finest offerings,
I will pay my vows to you!**

L: Come and hear, all you who fear the lord,
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

A: **Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer,
or removed his love from me!**

*** THE LIGHT ENTERS OUR WORSHIP**

* HYMN "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" 152, UMH

* OPENING PRAYER (in unison) **

Lord Jesus Christ,

help us not to fall in love with the night that covers us,

but through the darkness to watch for you

as well as to work for you;

to dream and hunger in the dark

for the light which only you can bring.

Help us to know that the anger which God creates

is saner than any that man can make,

and that nothing which God has created

was ever possible without his creating it! AMEN

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Mrs. Carol Ryan

HEARING & PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 17:22-31 p. 129, NT

* HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" 393, UMH

-- Please hold up prayer cards so ushers can receive them --

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Peter 3:13-22 p. 220, NT

SERMON "It's All About Grace" *Rev. Bob Remington*

SPECIAL MUSIC "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"
C. Tomlin, J. Newton, G. Giglio

Rich Gallo, solo

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

COMMUNITY TIME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER 895, UMH

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

WORSHIPING WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Near to the Heart of God" arr. Martha Mier

* DOXOLOGY 94, UMH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

* HYMN "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" 2223,FWS

* BENEDICTION

* THE LIGHT LEADS US INTO SERVICE

* POSTLUDE "Foundation" Wilbur Held

UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*

FWS: *The Faith We Sing*

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✠ **In Our Service Today:**

Officiating Pastor: *Rev. Bob Remington*

Liturgist: *Jasin Kessler*

Ushers: *Curtis Danburg, Skip Gianfagna, Ed Hammon, Judy McDonald*

Greeters: *Kay & Dick Swartz, Barbara Deeds*

Please join us every Sunday after the 10:00 Worship Service in Fellowship Hall for Coffee & Fellowship Time. All are welcome!

