

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

10:00am

Gathering and Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Awake, O harp and lyre!  
I will awake the dawn.

**All: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,  
I will sing praises to you among the nations.**

One: For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;  
Your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

**All: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.  
Let your glory be over all the earth.**

Opening Hymn

“God of Love and God of Power”

No. 578

Opening Prayer

**God of Love, we praise you for the miracle of Easter. We pray for great joy for ourselves and all who come to worship today to celebrate Jesus’ resurrection. We pray especially for those who will join us for worship and whose lives are filled with pain, loss, or deep sadness. May they sense how the resurrection is a source of hope. Amen**

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Children’s Moment

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Hymn of Preparation

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

No. 703

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-8

Sermon

Growing in Jesus

Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle’s Creed

No.881

Closing Hymn

“Lord, I Want to be a Christian”

No. 402

Thank You

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude

**Large print bulletins and hymnals are available. If you would like one, please see an usher.**