

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

May 21, 2023

9:30 AM

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Gathering

Welcome

Procession

\*Call to Worship

One: Make a joyful noise to God all the earth.

**All: Sing out the praises of God.**

One: Come all you people and know the joy of the Lord.

**All: The love of God is greater than the tongue can tell!**

One: Bless the Lord all you people, bless his Holy Name!

**All: We praise, and worship, and honor, and glorify you name O Lord!**

\*Opening Hymn "Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise" UMH 312

\*Opening Prayer

**Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that of knowing that we do your will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

In his abundant grace, God has forgiven us. God has freed us from our sin and transformed our grief into joy. Now we can be at peace with God. In gratitude for that great gift, let us share God's peace with one another.

Joys and Concerns

Special Music –

Scripture Reading Acts 1:1-11

\*Hymn "Christ is the World's Light" UMH 188

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Sermon *Exalted in Due Time* Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn "Jesus Shall Reign" UMH 333

\*Blessing and Benediction

\*Recessional Hymn