

Hymn "Blest the woman who loves Jesus"
(sung to the tune of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH#526)

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: family & friends of Melvin Reiss,
family & friends of Tim Jameson, Gary Smidt, Linda Amstuz,
Libby Williams, and Suzy Womack (friend of Kathy Schutz).
Happy Birthday to Ray Havens, Donlyn Space,
Sam Tunnell, and Gabriella Froid.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer

"**Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH#94

Offertory Prayer

Almighty God, we offer you these gifts of love. We are grateful for the extravagant grace that you have shown us in Jesus Christ, and we now return a portion of this abundance to you. Guide us to use it wisely for the building of your kingdom and for the proclamation of the gospel around the world. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Recognition of High School Seniors

Megan Conyers
Makenna Dornhoff
Dylan Janda
Jacey Smidt
Alaina Suschland

Closing Hymn "Christ for the World We Sing" UMH#568

Benediction

Friends and Beloved of Christ, you have been chosen to go into this world with the message of God's love. Bear fruit of hope and joy, peace and justice, with all that you meet. May God's peace be with you all.

Postlude

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Vision for 2021:

Overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace,
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Romans 15:13 NIV)

6th Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship

May 9, 2021

Prelude

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Welcome and Announcements

1. Please put your names on either YouTube or Facebook. If you have celebrations and concerns, please share with us on either one.
2. 70 roses were purchased for this Mother's day. We gratefully acknowledge the mission team for the support of ministry.
3. We also give thanks to the hospitality team for greeting and ushering. The team will visit the nursing home, as we honor mothers.
4. Following the worship, refreshment at the fellowship hall will be offered. If you feel comfortable, please come together in fellowship at the fellowship hall.
5. Pastor Peter will lead a worship at 2:00pm, this Wednesday, May 12 at Bethany Home.
6. Nancy Lambert will be retiring after 8 years of working on the conference staff. Retirement Cards can be sent to Nance Lambert c/o Heather Clinger, 1207 SW Executive Drive, Topeka, KS 66615.
7. Last week we received offerings of \$2,336. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: Sing to God a new song,

P: for God has done marvelous things!

L: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth,

P: for God is still doing marvelous things!

L: Break into joyful song!

P: Sing praises with lyre, melody, and trumpets!

L: Let the seas roar and the floods clap their hands!

P: For God is coming to judge the world with righteousness.

L: God is coming to judge the world with equity.

P: Sing to God a new song!

Opening Prayer

God of songs and marvels, old and new, your powerful love for this world continues to astound us. In these last days of Easter, we gather to recall the love that brought Jesus into this world and into our lives: as savior, friend and brother. We thank you for welcoming us into your household and for trusting us with your marvelous work to draw all people into the spacious home of your love.

Amen.

Silent Prayer

Opening Hymn **“Faith of Our Mothers”** (UMH#710)

Children’s Time Ginger Frizane

Poem Tony Ratka

Honor Mothers

Scriptures Kay Lyn McBride

Psalm 98 (NIV)

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.

The Lord has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to Israel;

all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;
make music to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,
with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn—
shout for joy before the Lord, the King.

Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.

Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together for joy;
let them sing before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

John 15:9-17 (NIV)

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message
“No Greater Love!”
by
Pastor Peter Choi