Order of Worship

May 13, 2018 — Seventh Sunday of Easter/Youth Sunday

*Please stand ... in body or in spirit, as you are comfortable.

Bold words are spoken in unison
Bold Italics are words sung in unison

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

Toccatina

Ben Miller, piano

ENTRANCE OF LIGHT OF CHRIST, a symbol of Jesus' presence *CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the

earth.

All: Behold our God is a creator.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with

God, and the Word was God.

All: Behold our God is a redeemer.

Leader: The earth was without form and void, and the darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God

was moving over the face of the waters.

All: Behold our God is a Holy Spirit. Let us worship the God who is one in three, three in one, who heals our brokenness and gathers up all our meanings.

*WE SING TOGETHER

No. 28

For the Beauty of the Earth

*LITANY OF CREATION AND FAITH

One: In times to come, your children will ask you: "Why did the Lord our God ask us to obey these laws?"

Please Keep the Following People in Your Prayers

The Taylor Family (friends of Jane Huml)

Cathy Tomsu

David Greenwell (brother of Donna Greenwell)

Lois Schultz

Lyda Dacek (friend of Marcia Powles)

Paula Deal

The family of Pearl Wood

Bob Ebert (friend of many)

Anita Spaeta (cousin of Diane and Dave Kvasnicka)

Marisol Stokes (one of our cleaning persons)

John Derrick (cousin of the Mealys)

Konnie Wenneman

Pamela Bloomingdale (niece of Konnie Wenneman)

Bob Patzwahl

Carol Adams

Nola Branch

Chuck Hughes

Chuck Zaugg

Jim Gartner (son of Ruth Gartner)

Gail Rattray and son Brian (relatives of Sandy Evans)

Andy Bischof

Steve Kneale (son of Jane Huml)

Katie Gartner (granddaughter of Ruth Gartner)

Joyce Droescher

Jane Huml

Duncan Simpson (grandson of Carole Adams)

Julie Simpson (daughter of Carole Adams)

Megan Moran

Jeremy Steinbrick (grandson of Andy & Jan Bischof)

Jon Fields (friend of Chuck & Carol Mealy)

A BLESSING

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

Trumpet Voluntary **Travers** Jason Aquila, Organist

DEPART TO BE THE LOVE OF GOD IN THE WORLD

SPECIAL THANKS

Acolytes Graham and Nola Foote

Flowers and Bulletins This morning's altar flowers are sponsored by Janet Kramer, in loving memory of her husband, Bob Trombley, whose birthday is today. This morning's bulletins are sponsored by Rudy Duscha, in memory of his wife, Eleanor, whose birthday is May 17.

SAVE THE DATE! The Chancel Choir's spring concert, *Feelin'* the Love, is next Sunday at 3 p.m. Don't miss it!

ANDY & JAN BISCHOF have a new phone number: 440-471-7664; also, anyone wishing to donate to the Hunger Drive should see Andy.

THURSDAY NIGHT GET TOGETHER DINNER The next dinner takes place May 24 at Moosehead Hoof & Ladder, 7989 Columbia Rd., Olmsted Falls, at 5 p.m. Sign up in the Gathering Room!

SIGN UP BY MAY 16 FOR Brain Fit! Get Those Neurons Firing, May 24, 2018, 12-1 p.m. Box lunches and beverages provided.

Thursday, June 7, 2018, 12-1 pm., A Safe Drive Through the Aging **Process** with Matt Gurwell, founder and CEO of Keeping Us Safe, who will talk about keeping older drivers safe. Bring your lunch; beverage and dessert provided. Sign up by June 4.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Today, May 13

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Youth Sunday

Monday, May 14

Yoga, 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, May 15

Quilters 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16

Carillon Bell Choir, 7 p.m. Chancel Choir, 8 p.m.

Sunday, May 20

Pentecost Sunday

Caregivers meet after church FEELIN' THE LOVE CONCERT

3 p.m.

All: We will tell our children: Once we were slave people and now we are free. Once we were no people and now we are God's people.

One: On that first morning God called us.

All: God called us from nothing.

One: Out of nothing came being.

All: Out of darkness came light.

One: Out of chaos came order.

All: Out of nothing came life.

One: On that first morning God called us.

All: This morning God calls us to be the people of faith in the midst of meaninglessness.

One: In the midst of meaninglessness

All: God calls to meaning.

One: Out of brokenness

All: God calls us to wholeness.

One: Out of divisiveness

All: God calls us to community.

One: Out of tears

All: God calls us to laughter.

One: Out of self-centeredness

All: God calls us to love one another.

One: Out of unfaithfulness

All: God calls us to faith.

One: Out of death

All: God calls us to life.

One: And we will say to our children:

All: Come with us and worship God, who has created and is creating in our midst. Come with us and keep covenant.

One: In times to come we will tell our children:

All: Once we were slaves but now we are free; once we were no people but now we are God's people.

One: Out of death to resurrection, out of chaos to rebirth, out of unfaithfulness to faith—

All: Praise God for these wondrous gifts!

*WE SING PRAISE TO GOD

Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE

WE LISTEN FOR OUR STILL-SPEAKING GOD

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

The Boy and the Ocean

by Max Lucado

(Our children are invited to remain in worship today. If anyone gets too many jiggles or wiggles and would rather hang out with Miss Nancy, she will meet you in the Nursery.)

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHANCEL CHOIR

You Raise Me Up

Graham/Lovland

Carol Peddie, Director

MESSAGE FROM OUR SCRIPTURES

Genesis 1:14-16

Psalm 147:4-5

Psalm 139:1-18

Isaiah 43:1

Our God is still speaking:

Thanks be to God.

VIDEO REFLECTION

Stars by Skillet

MESSAGE FROM OUR YOUTH

Stars for the Righteous by Ann Weems

WE RESPOND TO OUR STILL-SPEAKING GOD

THE TIME of PRAYER

ONE: Christ is among us.

ALL: Christ is in our midst.

ONE: Let us pray.

Kum ba yah, Lord. Kum ba yah. (X3)

O-Lord. Kum ba yah.

Someone's crying, Lord. Kum ba yah. (X3)

O-Lord, Kum ba yah.

PRAYER

Someone's praying, Lord. Kum ba yah. (X3)

O-Lord, Kum ba yah.

PRAYER

Someone's singing, Lord. Kum ba yah. (X3)

O-Lord, Kum ba yah.

PRAYER

Come by here, Lord. Come by here. (X3)

O-Lord, Come by here.

Amen.

WE OFFER OUR LIVES AND GIFTS IN GRATITUDE TO GOD

Invitation and Offering

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Jessica Barrick, cello

*WE SING OUR SONG OF PRAISE

No. 780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done: Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*WE SING TOGETHER

No. 17

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing