



**Church of the Redeemer United Church of Christ
Order of Worship for May 10, 2020**

Fifth Sunday of Easter. A Blessed Mother's Day to All!

Yes, if the stones that we walked on could talk, they would surely tell our story.

~ Nico J. Genes

Prelude

Jason Aquila, Organist

Call to Worship (*Group 1 will be people with last name from A-L and Group 2 M-Z*)

ONE: Come, all of you who feel lost, alienated, alone.

GROUP 1: At one time we felt that way – we didn't belong anywhere.

GROUP 2: We just wanted somewhere to be.

ONE: Christ, the Strong Cornerstone of our house, welcomes you.

GROUP 1: Once we were no people

GROUP 2: Now we are God's people.

GROUP 1: Once we had no place to dwell

ALL: Now we live and abide in God's love.

ONE: Thanks be to God for God's gracious love and hospitality. Amen.

Hymn #403

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Prayer of Invocation

O God of all creation, become for us once again the solid foundation upon which we build our daily lives. We gather before you, this first day of the week, to align our lives to the strong teaching and life of Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone. Receive our praise and thanksgiving as expressions of faith and love. We come to you, O Lord, as people who desire to learn and serve like Christ. We are ready to receive your blessing and direction today. Amen.

Message for Young Christians

Pastor Brooke

Special Music

It is Well with My Soul

By Philip Bliss, arr. Nathan DiGesare

Jason Aquila, piano

Scripture

Matthew Williams

Psalm 31:-1-5, 15-16 (NRSV), Acts 7:55-60 (The Inclusive Bible)

ONE: Our God is still speaking.

MANY: Thanks be to God**Focus Scripture**1 Peter 2:2-10 (*The Inclusive Bible*)**Sermon***A Rock is a Rock*

The Rev. R. Brooke Baker

Hymn #607*We Would Be Building***The Pastor's Prayer and Lord's Prayer****Hymn #400***Christ is Made the Sure Foundation***Benediction****Postlude**

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Call to Worship from Worship Connection at ministrymatters.com; Prayer of Invocation from Worship Elements at ministrymatters.com.