Our attendance for May 11 worship was 42.

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WELCOME to this service of worship. We seek to be a diverse community welcoming all persons and embracing differences of age, racial and ethnic background, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, family configuration, socioeconomic status, and physical and mental ability. We invite all to join our journey of faith toward greater love, hope, and acceptance in every aspect of our Christian life together.



If you are a first time guest, please sign a visitor card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or give to an usher or the pastor.

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Altar Guild Nancy Brown **Technical Support** Christopher Hall

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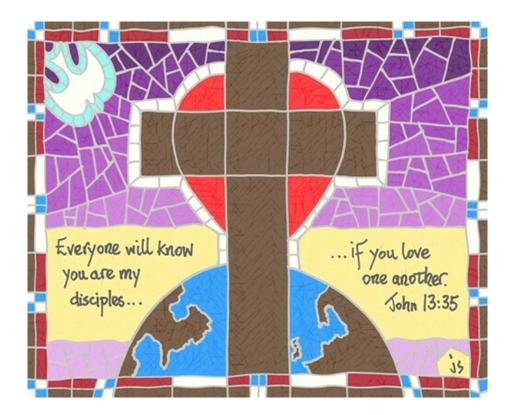
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May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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...seeks to be a Christ centered, diverse community open to everyone as they are. We believe all people are worthy of being loved and worthy of loving others. We strive to show God's grace, make disciples, and change the world with our hands, our hearts, our minds, and our words.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude Taylor

Little Prelude in G Minor

WELCOME AND *PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Peace be with you! And also with you!

You are invited to share the peace of Christ with those around you.

*OPENING SONG

ST. BRENDAN'S FWS, No. 2223

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sandra E. Graham

One: Today is a new day!

All: New life is rising among us!

<u>One</u>: Today we are challenged to live fully in God's love!

<u>All</u>: So we will greet one another in love and praise the God who uplifts each of us in grace! Alleluia! Amen!

*OPENING HYMN

DIX No.92

For the Beauty of the Earth

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Brian Wren

Holy God, author of the Word made flesh, to whom belongs the first Word and the last, open us to your Spirit, that as the scripture is spoken and your Word proclaimed, we may be comforted, convinced, and changed to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

No. 861

Psalm 148 with Response

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 11:1-18

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 13:31-35

Response: The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Response

BEECHER No. 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM

Liles & Borop

Proclaim the Glory of the Lord

SERMON

"Love's the Praise"

TIME OF ANOINTING

The congregation may come forward to be anointed, if you wish. Anyone is invited to come for anointing and/or to pray at the altar.

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND FOR THE WORLD THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who

trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

*Doxology

LAST UNS ERFREUEN No. 94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Affirmation of Faith

No. 881

"The Apostles' Creed"

*CLOSING HYMN

ANGEL'S STORY No. 396

O Jesus, I Have Promised

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*Postlude

German

Festive Trumpet Tune

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE