

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.

**Preacher**

Jason Harvey

**Altar Guild**

Nancy Brown

**Technical Support**

Christopher Hall

Your support enables our ministry. You may place gifts in the offering plates by the doors, mail to our address, or electronically through our website or scan the QR Code to give through PayPal.



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May 18, 2025

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

**COLLEGE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

...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

*Little Prelude in G Minor*

Taylor

### 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!**

*One: Today we are challenged to live fully in God's love!*

**All: 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

**Psalms 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