



Sunday May 4, 2025

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Now is the time to sing! - to sing the good news of God:

All: who awakens us with dawn's embrace, who surrounds us with joy and life.

Leader: Now is the time to offer praise to God, in every place, with every voice:

All: to rejoice in the One who leads us through each moment with a gentle hand and a word of hope.

Leader: Now is the time to join all creation in extolling God, from the depths of the sea to the farthest galaxies:

All: We will sing the good news of Easter! We will rejoice in the God who loves us!

*OPENING HYMN

Morning Has Broken

UMH #145

OPENING PRAYER

God of power and might, let your love shine on us and through us to all whom we meet. Take the blindness from our eyes and our hearts. Give us the joy of knowing and serving you in all that we say, think and do. In Jesus' Name, we pray.

THE BASKET

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!
Halleluja! Halle-lu-ja!**

SCRIPTURE John 21:1-19 Common English Bible

Later, Jesus himself appeared again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. This is how it happened: Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two other disciples were together. Simon Peter told them, "I'm going fishing."

They said, "We'll go with you." They set out in a boat, but throughout the night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples didn't realize it was Jesus.

Jesus called to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?"

They answered him, "No."

He said, "Cast your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."

So they did, and there were so many fish that they couldn't haul in the net. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard it was the Lord, he wrapped his coat around himself (for he was naked) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they weren't far from shore, only about one hundred yards.

When they landed, they saw a fire there, with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you've just caught." Simon Peter got up and pulled the net to shore. It was full of large fish, one hundred fifty-three of them. Yet the net hadn't torn, even with so many fish. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples could bring themselves to ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they finished eating, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." Jesus asked a second time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep." He asked a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was sad that Jesus asked him a third time, "Do you love me?" He replied, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. I assure you that when you were younger you tied your own belt and walked around wherever you wanted. When you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and another will tie your belt and lead you where you don't want to go." He said this to show the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. After saying this, Jesus said to Peter, "Follow me."

MESSAGE

Called to Love

HYMN

O Living God

Worship & Song #3089

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Gracious Creator of Sea and of Land W & S #3161*

CALL TO CONFESSION

There's a whisper inside of us: Most of the time we can ignore it if we so choose, and often we neglect it; but it is an insistent, compelling voice reminding us that our lives are not without meaning, that we have a contribution to make, that we are called. Let us come before God being honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or how poorly we listen to that call and care for others. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

This called-ness can be hard for us, Jesus.

We are all too aware of our denials of you, of all the ways we've failed to live up to our promise. We're certain that there are others who are more than we are: more caring, more faithful, more responsible, more organized, more committed, more able.

But, it seems that you don't really hear our objections, our excuses; all you ever seem to say is just, "Follow me."

So, if you see in us something worth calling; if you are committed to empowering us, infilling us, using us, then all we can do is respond, nervously, but wholeheartedly, "Yes".

(silence)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The one who says, "Follow me" never gives up on us and never forsakes us.

The one who calls us rejoices when we say "Yes"!

United with Christ, we are one spirit with God.

United with Christ, we are forgiven and made whole.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING OFFERTORY

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

May the gifts we offer this day, Kind God, bring joy to those whose mornings are hopeless, feed those who noontimes are filled with hunger, and bring peace to those whose nights are surrounded by fears and worries. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

COMMUNION SETTING *please see Communion Setting in Pews*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor Ninabeth: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Pastor Ninabeth: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor Ninabeth: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*** CLOSING HYMN**

See the Morning Sun Ascending

UMH #674

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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THE RIDGEWOOD SINGERS CONCERT IS THIS AFTERNOON @ 2pm

The Ridgewood Singers present their spring concert "Where is Home?" at the First Presbyterian Church (722 East Ridgewood Ave, Ridgewood).

This concert will feature various songs through the ages, and a special presentation by their high school scholarship winner, who is bound for Juilliard upon graduation.

Tickets are available at the door, or through Cathy Nalesnik, Liz Tible, or Anita Dispenziere.

ANNOUNCEMENTS May 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS May 5th - May 11th

Monday May 5th

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday May 6th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday May 7th

Bible Study @ 12pm in Fellowship Hall BYO Lunch

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Thursday May 8th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Christian Meditation @ 6:30pm in French Chapel

Administrative Council Meeting @ 7pm

Friday May 9th

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7pm on Facebook

First Friday @ 12pm in fellowship hall. Bring your lunch!

Sunday May 11th

Mother's Day Worship @ 10am



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS!!

The UMCW Scholarship applications can be picked up in the church office and must be returned by **May 15th.**

Office Hours: 10am-3pm Tuesday-Thursday.

****Applicants must be an active member of the UMC in Wayne**

**** Any questions contact Nancy Kinch at (973) 694-2603 or nkinch@aol.com**



The UMC for Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
will be held May 18- 20 in Wildwood NJ.

This year's mission project is "**Socks for Seniors**", where adult socks will be collected by local churches and distributed to Cape May County seniors in need.

Our Wayne UMC collection will end on Friday, May 16.

A box for your donations of NEW ADULT SOCKS will be in the narthex.

Pat Moore will be attending the conference and will proudly bring our collection.

NJCS SEASON FINALE MASTERWORKS CONCERT

Lux Aeterna Masterworks Concert Featuring Faure's Requiem



June 14th, Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Westside Presbyterian Church, Ridgewood NJ
Everlasting light, eternal rest, and consolation are woven together in Gabriel Faure's Requiem, an inspiring, world-renowned Mass, sometimes described as a "lullaby of death." Additional musical choices presented reflect on profound meanings of eternal light and the circle of life.

See Lyn Sentkowski for tickets!

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