

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

\*RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING *(Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad and pass it on to your neighbor.)*

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively):

L: We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world ...

P: AND SO WE MIX OUR WORSHIP AND OUR WORK, OUR FAITH AND OUR LIFE.

L: We gather here as people who live in the world, and yet ...

P: WE GATHER AS PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO SEE THE WORLD FROM A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT.

L: God has called us together ... God has called us to be part of a community.

P: AND GOD CHALLENGES US TO CONSIDER QUESTIONS OF PRIORITY AS WE ENGAGE WITH THE WORLD.

L: So in this time together ...

P: MAY GOD OPEN OUR HEARTS, OUR MINDS, AND OUR EYES ...

L: Allowing us to see deeper, and helping us to live in the world, while still offering a challenge to the ways of the world.

P: WE PRAY IN JESUS' NAME. AMEN.

\*OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#688

*God, That Madest Earth and Heaven*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (as a group):

DEAR GOD, WE ASK YOUR BLESSING ON ALL THOSE WHO LABOR, WHO WORK TO PROVIDE FOR THEMSELVES, AND WHO BRING US THE COMFORTS WE HAVE COME TO EXPECT. BRING HUMILITY TO US WHEN WE BUILD TOWERS THAT TOUCH THE SKY, IMPRESSED ONLY BY OUR OWN FEATS. BRING COMPASSION TO US WHEN WE FORGET THOSE WHO WORK UNDER UNJUST CONDITIONS. AND BRING GRACE TO US WHEN WE ARE MOST IN NEED OF YOUR HEALING TOUCH. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

*Lead Me Lord*  
(Charles Gatch, 8:30am)

*Praise We Sing To Thee*  
(LUMC Chancel Choir – 11am)

*Hadyn*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*Genesis 2:1-15*

CEB

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Heather Connor/Video/8:30am

\*A LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

*Revelation 22:1-5*

CEB

\*GLORIA PATRI #71

WITNESS TO THE WORD

*Celebration Summer, 2021:  
Celebrating Our Work – as Worship!*

Rev. L. Kim Eanes

\*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#436

*The Voice Of God Is Calling*

PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY #95

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#438

*Forth In Thy Name, O Lord*

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able*

*WE THANK HELENA MEETZE FOR PROVIDING THIS MORNING'S MUSIC!*