

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

SUNDAY, MAY 29 2022

ASCENSION SUNDAY!

***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 (UMH #729)

JERUSALEM

C. H. H. Parry

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(responsively):*

L: Why are we looking up to heaven?

P: CHRIST HAS COME! CHRIST HAS RISEN! CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN!

L: Why are we looking ahead to the future?

P: THE HOLY SPIRIT IS AMONG US NOW.

IN OUR BAPTISM, WE HAVE ALREADY DIED AND RISEN WITH CHRIST!

L: Why are we afraid of death and dying?

P: GOD'S LOVE CASTS OUT ALL FEAR!

L: Why are we afraid to follow Jesus?

P: IN CHRIST, WE HAVE THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE NOW AND ETERNAL LIFE TO COME!

L: In the unity of the Spirit, we join our hearts with Christ, to worship the One who sits on the throne forever and ever!

ALL: AMEN AND ALLELUIA!

***OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH #173**

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 1:1-14

MSG

SPECIAL MUSIC

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
(Lessie Polk, 8:30am)

J. Zundel

Before the Throne of God Above
(LUMC Chancel Choir, 11am)

D. Forrest

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Heather Connor

***A LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS** *Matthew 28:16-20*

MSG

***GLORIA PATRI #71**

WITNESS TO THE WORD *On Interpreting His Instructions*

Rev. L. Kim Eanes

***HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#188**

Christ Is the World's Light

COMMUNITY PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

OFFERTORY

Sent Out in Jesus' Name
(Ken Robbins, 8:30am/TFWS #2184)

Cuban Folksong

The Commission
(Mary Clare Gatch, 11am/CAIN)

arr. Jim Gatch

***THE DOXOLOGY UMH#95**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH#312**

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE (TFWS#2282)**

I'll Fly Away

A. Brumley

**Please stand if you are able*