**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

 *\* Indicates, please stand if able.*

Sixth Sunday after Easter/Mother’s Day May 14, 2023 9 am

Liturgist: Roxie Hostrawser

WELCOME, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\***CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23, John 10)

L: The Lord has been our refuge and our keeper.

**P: It is God who has kept us from falling and saved our lives.**

L: Let our thanks and praise resound throughout this place of worship

**P: Let our love and gratitude be shown in all that we do.**

L: Open your hearts and spirits to God this day.

**P: Lord, be with us and place your hand of healing in our lives. AMEN.**

\*OPENING PRAYER (Acts 17, Psalm 66, John 14)

**Source of all creation, maker of the world and everything in it, you are never far from each one of us. We come into your house seeking you, O giver of life and breath. Reveal yourself to us; dwell with us; and abide in us. We live because of you. We hope because of you. In the name of Jesus Christ in whom we live, and the Spirit of Truth who abides in us, Amen.**

**\***OPENING HYMN***How Can We Name a Love*** UMH *#*111

CHILDREN’S TIME Katrina McGillivray

JOYS A ND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord of mercy, there are so many times in our lives when we feel alone. We wonder where you are. We cry out to you in our confusion, pain, and hurt. And when you do not immediately grant the prayers of our cries, we begin to doubt that you even care or exist. Stop us from going down this path of self-destruction. Help us look around and find the many ways in which you have blessed our lives. Forgive us when we are so quick to doubt and so arrogant in our demands of your responses. Give us a spirit of patience and willingness to be ready to hear your voice. Strengthen us for the ministries of love and hope that you have placed before us; for we ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Even in the midst of doubt and darkness, the light of God is shining in you, on you, and through you. Out of God’s great love, you have been redeemed and made whole. Rejoice, beloved of God! AMEN.

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Shon

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Acts 17, 1 Peter 3)

We are invited to give an accounting of the hope that sustains us, the love and presence of God that upholds all. Out of this sustaining hope, let us give our gifts today for those who also need this hope.

**\***DOXOLOGY ***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*** UMH #95

SPECIAL MUSIC ***Slow Down*** by Nichole Nordeman & Chris Stevens Amanda Lang

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon

SCRIPTURE Proverbs 3:1-6

1My child, never forget the things I have taught you. Store my commands in your heart. **2**If you do this, you will live many years, and your life will be satisfying. **3**Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart. **4**Then you will find favor with both God and people, and you will earn a good reputation. **5**Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. **6**Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE  ***A Mother Lined a Basket*** TFWS#2189

MESSAGE  ***Trust in the Lord*** Rev. Shon

INFANT BAPTISM Ryleigh & Rowen Rozmenoski

 Teaghan Engel

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT  ***The Gift of Love*** UMH #408

**\***BENEDICTION Rev. Shon

 POSTLUDE Matthew Schluntz

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please pray for people in need in our church, community, nation, and the

world.

**WEDNESDAY CONNECTIONS:** is designed for Christian Fellowship**.** A meal this week will

 be served by Imelda Kelly.

**PRAYER WALK:** will take place on next May 21, Sunday at 1pm in parking lot.

**BIBLE STUDY:** on Methodism will start May 21, Sunday, at 10:30 am for 6 weeks, using a

 book, *Living as United Methodist Christians: Our Story, Our Beliefs, Our Lives* by Andy

 Langford and Sally Langford. The Pastor leads this book discussion.

**MISSION OUTREACH**: will meet next May 21, Sundayat 10:30 am at Keefe Room

**CHILDREN/YOUTH/FAMILY:** will meet next Tuesday, May 23, 5:30 pm

**YOUTH GROUP:** May 21, Last day of Sunday school, followed by an Ice Cream Social after Worship.

**HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY** to Marilyn McKeeth on May 23rd.

Mailing address is 1311 Tyler St. Room #207, BRF, WI 54615

**SCRIP CARDS:** When you are thinking of ideas for gift giving or personal use, consider Scrip

 cards**.** Stop at the gathering area on Sundays or call Marcia at 715-284-3346

**FELLOWSHIP:** will be served by Stephanie Bantell

**USHER/GREETERS**: Barb & Jeff Hagenbrock

**THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH:**

 Mon: Finance Committee 5:30 pm

 Tue: Worship Committee 5:30 pm

 Wed: Wednesday Connections 4:45-6 pm Pre-Con 5-6 pm

 Youth 6-7 pm Confirmation Class 7-8 pm

 Thurs: SPRC 5:30 pm

 **Bible Verse for the week: Proverbs 1:8-9**

*“My child, listen when your father corrects you. Don’t neglect your mother’s instruction.*

*What you learn from them will crown you with grace and be a chain of honor around your neck.”*

**Bible Trivia**

Proverbs says that a fools mouth is known for this.

 A. "...travail and vexation of spirit." B. "...much sorrow and wrath…"

 C. "...they consider not that they do evil." D. "...a multitude of words"

 *See: Ecclesiastes 5:3*

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