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FAIRHOPE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023 ~ 8:30AM and 11:00AM

PRELUDE

The Lord's My Shepherd

(Bain/arr. Harris)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Please sign the registration pad and pass it to your neighbor in the pew

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, people of God! Take refuge in the Lord, who listens when we cry out.

God rescues us when we call and leads and guides us according to his unfailing love.

You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

Let's worship God together! Amen.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

In the act of confession, we call upon God to save us from the destruction of sin and turn us back toward life. Let us now confess our sin before God and one another.

We confess that we have not loved you as you command us to love.

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Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

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We ignore the pain of those around us and refuse your call to care for the poor and the marginalized.

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Hear these words: When we call, God's love is steadfast to rescue us and redeem us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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LET US PRAY

**Almighty God, in Christ you have shown us the way,
revealed to us your truth, and offered to us everlasting life.**

**Keep our eyes upon him, that we may see your path more clearly,
know your truth more fully, and receive your life more abundantly;
through Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory. Amen.**

✠*PASSING OF THE PEACE

✠HYMN OF PRAISE #110

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

11:00 BAPTISM

Margot Reynolds Ellenburg
Daughter of Katie and John Ellenburg

✠THE APOSTLES' CREED

✠GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

If You Love Me

(Purifoy)

✠DOXOLOGY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, as we listen to your holy Word, open our hearts to the power of your Spirit,
call us out of darkness, and lead us into your marvelous light. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

1 Peter 2:2-10

HYMN OF PREPARATION #534

Be Still, My Soul

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 7:55-60

SERMON

"What Will We Do With These Stones?" Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *UMH#13*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN #368

My Hope Is Built

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

(Wagner)

✠ Stand as able

Assisting in Worship Today: Dr. Darren M. McClellan

Liturgist: Ann Pearson

Acolyte: 11:00 Evan Jones

Communion Servers: 8:30 Mary and Walter Corbitt, Michelle and Bruce Graham

11:00 Cheri and Jerry Forte

Music: Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir

Media and Sound: Alex Beaman, Colin Richardson, Wright Tapscott

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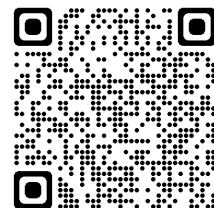
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Soul on Fire

Shea White, Praise Team

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SINGING OUR PRAISES

Build Your Kingdom Here

Jesus Messiah

Cornerstone (Hillsong)

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

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SERMON

"Cornerstone"

Rev. Laura Parker

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GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As you come before God to receive this Holy Meal,
You are invited to bring all of who you are as an offering
to the one who has given all of who he is for us.
****Baskets are available to present your offering
as you come forward to receive the bread and cup.*

INVITATION TO PRAYER AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

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