

▲ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: Generous God,
here are our gifts of time;
here are our gifts of talents;
here are our gifts of money;
building blocks of help and change,
awaiting, shaping, and placing,
within your loving purpose. Amen.**

CONCERNS, PRAYERS, THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray together:

**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.**

Response (11:00)

Kyrie Eleison

▲ HYMN

This Is My Song

No. 437

▲ BLESSING THE PEOPLE

Response (11:00)

Amen

POSTLUDE

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Runyan



Among the Bible's symbolic language, a three-day period signifies and points to an act of divine intervention that brings rescue and salvation. *On the third day* is a moment of transformation and release from experiences of sickness, despair, grief, danger, and death. *On the third day* is a dynamic emergence of new light and life. This dynamic metaphor is proclaimed in the Season of Resurrection as a word of comfort, joy, and hope.

LEHMAN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
HATBORO, PENNSYLVANIA

PRELUDE *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* Moen
Olivia Bomgardner, Pianist

APOSTOLIC BLESSING AND WELCOME Pastor Bill Lentz

Welcome to our service of worship. Your presence is a great joy to us. Our hope is that you'll feel welcome and that the Spirit of God will touch your soul in worship. Please sign the Covenant of Fellowship, sharing as much information as you'd like, and then pass it down the pew for others to sign.

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Nancy Ludwig

Pastor: We saw his light break through the cloud of glory

People: While we were rooted still in time and place

Pastor: As Earth became a part of Heaven's story

People: And heaven opened to Jesus' human face.

(Inspired by the poetry of Malcolm Guite)

▲ HYMN *Now the Green Blade Riseth* No. 311

OPENING PRAYER

**O God almighty,
we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus with joy unstoppable.
Grant us great joy, too, in service to the world, to the poor,
and those without hope. Then one day bring us to our fullest
joy in eternal life, in Christ's resplendent glory, for all to see.
Amen.**

MEMORIAL DAY POETRY *I Have a Rendezvous with Death* By Alan Seeger

INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Dick Davies 8:15; Karen Kearns, 11:00

FIRST READING 2 Kings 20:1-10 Pew Bible (OT), p. 354

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (11:00) *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* Young
Sanctuary Choir, Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director

▲ GOSPEL READING John 21:15-19 Pew Bible (NT), p. 116

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

▲ GLORIA *Glory Be to the Father* No. 71

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

SERMON *On the 3rd Day... A Shadow Retreats for the King* Pastor Bill Lentz

On the third day from his prayer for help, King Hezekiah was permitted to go get that help from God in the temple. God was gracious and caring to a faithful servant.

▲ HYMN *There Is a Balm in Gilead* No. 375

▲ CREED (8:15) *Nicene* No. 880

SENIOR SUNDAY CELEBRATION (11:00)

We are pleased to recognize the graduating Senior High students of our congregation. They have served our church well over the years in youth group, music groups, Sunday School, VBS, and Cross Connection. We will bless and anoint them. Then, Stephen Doney will receive an Isabel Lyttle scholarship.

OFFERINGS OF GRATITUDE *His Eye is on the Sparrow* Martin/Gabriel

▲ PROCESSION OF GRATITUDE *Doxology* No. 94