

She was devoted to good works and acts of charity.
Acts 9:36

The LORD is my shepherd I shall not want. **Psalms 23:1**

They will hunger no more and thirst no more.
Revelation 7:16

“My sheep hear my voice.”
John 10:27

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To Our Guests
We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor’s card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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Introit 814 (6x)
*In God alone my soul can find rest and peace,
in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.*

Proclamation
In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Prayer

***Hymn 183**
“Come to Me, O Weary Traveler”

Prayer for Wholeness (see insert)

Response 803
“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

***+Response 240**, refrain (3x)
*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

Blessing the World
Angola, Mozambique

+Response 623, v. 2
*I’ve got joy like a fountain; I’ve got joy like a fountain;
I’ve got joy like a fountain in my soul. (Repeat)*

First Pew

+Response 623, v. 2
*I’ve got joy like a fountain; I’ve got joy like a fountain;
I’ve got joy like a fountain in my soul. (Repeat)*

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson
Hebrews 3:12 - 4:7

Guest Reflection

***Hymn 393**
“O Day of Rest and Gladness”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Prayer for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory
“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

Celebration of Ministry

***Acclamation**
With believers in every time and place
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus, our Lord

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***Sending 474**, refrain (3x)
*As a child rests in its mother’s arms, so will I rest in you.
As a child rests in its mother’s arms, so will I rest in you.*

***Postlude**

Our first task is to make our own heart a zone of peace. **Jack Kornfield**

We all carry within us our places of exile, our crimes, our ravages. Our task is not to unleash them on the world; it is to transform them in ourselves.
Albert Camus

My mind is like a bad neighborhood, I try not to go there alone.
Anne Lamott

Fear is the path to the dark side. Fear leads to anger. Anger leads to hate. Hate leads to suffering. **Yoda**

Lesson Translation
New Revised
Standard Version

Prayer for Others
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Sunday, May 11 • Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36–43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9–17, John 10:22–30

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom
- 1:00 p.m. Confirmation Class Gathering – Sanctuary

Monday, May 12

- 3:00 p.m. Mission Collaboration Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 13

- 5:00 p.m. SPC Support Group via Zoom
- 6:15 p.m. Speak Story Series – Sanctuary / Zoom

Wednesday, May 14

- 3:00 p.m. Quaker Mid-Week Worship – Sanctuary / Hybrid
- 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal – Choir room

Thursday, May 15

- 6:00 p.m. Communication Team Meeting – Fellowship Hall / Hybrid

Sunday, May 18 • Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1–18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1–6, John 13:31–35

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom
- 12:30 p.m. Youth Group Gathering – Downstairs

MUSIC IN WORSHIP: The Introit is from the Taizé Community. The Opening Hymn is a paraphrase and expansion of Matthew 11:28-30. The Response to the Prayer for Wholeness is a paraphrase of Psalm 23 set to a flowing shape note melody. The Alleluia is from an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary community in Ann Arbor, MI. The Introduction and Response to Blessing the World is an African American spiritual. The Sermon Hymn describes the Christian Sabbath as a commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost. The Sending is a paraphrase of Psalm 31.

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Eastertide
Fourth Sunday

May 11, 2025
11:00 a.m.

The Cure For It All, excerpt

Go gently today, don't hurry
or think about the next thing. Walk
with the quiet trees, can you believe
how brave they are—how kind? Model your life
after theirs. Blow kisses
at yourself in the mirror

especially when
you think you've messed up. Forgive
yourself for not meeting your unreasonable
expectations. You are human, not
God—don't be so arrogant. ...

Julia Fehrenbacher

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