

O Lord, it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. **Psalms 139:13**

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. **Joshua 1:9**

Be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God. **Romans 12:2**

I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit. **John 15:5**

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Mary Jane Hitt  
Christa Mastrangelo Joyce

**Graduate Reflections**

Mason Brown  
Jillian Dillow

**Worship Assistants**

Adalyn Norman  
Evelyn Bailey  
Mileur Bailey  
Joel Dillow  
Hazel Hitt  
Michael Joyce  
Luca Tuzzio  
Sophia Tuzzio

**Accompanist**

Sam Jannotta

**Tech Support**

Mark Nutwell

**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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**Graduation Easter Proclamation**

*Christ Is Risen!*  
*Christ Is Risen, Indeed!*

**Call to Worship** (see insert)

**Introit** (3x)

*Christ is risen, alleluia. Love is risen, alleluia.*

**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.

**Remembering our Baptism**

**\*Hymn 250**

*"In the Bulb There is a Flower"*

**Prayer for Wholeness** (see insert)

**Response** (2x)

*Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.*

**Declaration of Grace and Gratitude**

**\*+Response 609**

*Praise God, from who all blessing flow.*  
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*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise God, in Jesus fully know: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Blessing the World**

Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland

**Response 701**

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
pure and holy, tried and true.*

*With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

**First Pew**

**Response 701** (see above)

**Welcome and Parish Life**

**THE WORD OF HOPE**

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**Reading**

**Interlude**

**Lessons**

Jeremiah 1:4-9; Philippians 1:3-6

**Graduate Reflections**

**\*Hymn 29**

*"O God You Search Me"*

**THE BREAD OF LIFE**

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**Commissioning of Graduates**

**Blanket Wrapping Ceremony**

**Graduate Recognition**

**Prayer of Blessing for all Graduates**

**Offering Our Gifts**

**Offertory**

*"Universal Sound," Tyler Childers*

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**\*Final Charge to Graduates**

*Go into the world knowing this:  
You are loved.  
You are called.  
And you do not go alone.*

**Sending 547, v. 1, 3**

*Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.*

*Go, My children, fed and nourished, closer to Me;  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.*

*Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled  
you. Go, My children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.*

Take forgiveness, take a prayer, take the deepest breath, and take the answers in your heart. When you wake up and the world is cruel and cold, my love follows you where you go.

**Alison Krauss**

Courage is the one thing no one can take away from you.

**Chris Colfer**

Realms of this life have been closed and no understanding can be learned.

**RoseAnn V. Shawiak**

\*Please rise in body and spirit.

**Red roses honoring graduates**

Mason Brown, Jillian Dillow, William Gibbs, Isabella Tuzzio

**Psalms 139, Paraphrase**

Sophia Tuzzio

**Prayer for Wholeness**

Evelyn and Mileur Bailey

**Liturgy for the day:**

Written and selected by Youth Members along with Christa Mastrangelo Joyce

**White Rose in Memory of**

John Mason

**Lesson Translation**

New Revised Standard Version, Updated Edition

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**Sunday, May 10 • Sixth Sunday of Eastertide • Graduate Recognition Sunday**

*Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21*

8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service – Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Zoom

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary/Zoom

Nursery is available for children under age 5, no Sunday Studio

12:15 p.m. Graduate Reception – Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, May 12**

Church Office Closed

3:00 p.m. Timeline Team Meeting – Sanctuary

**Wednesday, May 13**

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

**Thursday, May 14**

7:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting – Fellowship Hall/Zoom

**Friday, May 15**

Church Office Closed

**Saturday, May 16**

7:30 p.m. Renatum Choral Concert – SPC Sanctuary

**Sunday, May 17 • Seventh Sunday of Eastertide**

*Acts 1:6-14 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 John 17:1-11*

8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service – Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Zoom

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary/Zoom

Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

12:00 p.m. New Member Class – Pastor Mary Jane's office

80th Birthday Celebration for Cheryl Pullen – Fellowship Hall

**Eastertide**

Graduate Recognition Sunday

**May 10, 2026**

11:00 a.m.

**Psalm 139, Paraphrase**

You know us, Lord.

Through the beginnings of our lives,  
you've known us.

You know the things that are too much for us.

You know everything we do  
and everything we are.

You are everywhere with us, Lord.

You guide us, Lord,

Through the hard times

And confusion of our ever-changing lives.

Through the important stages of life like graduation,  
even when we feel like there is nothing for us,  
you are there.

You created us, Lord, in our mother's womb.

You see all of us,  
our similarities and differences.

You are always with us  
and always will be.

**Sophia Tuzzio**

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