

**May 21st Order of Worship
Ascension Sunday
Confirmation Sunday**



**“Christ Is Alive”
(UMH 318 vs. 1,2,3 & 5)**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
He comes to claim the here and now
and dwell in every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high,
untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life,
our Savior in the God-head reigns.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and all creation ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

“Creed”

by Rich Mullins and D. Beaker

I believe in God the Father
Almighty Maker of Heaven and Maker of Earth
And in Jesus Christ His only begotten
Son, our Lord

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
Born of the virgin Mary
He suffered under Pontius Pilate
He was crucified and dead and buried

I believe what I believe, yeah
Is what makes me what I am
Oh, I did not make it, no it is making me
It is the very truth of God and not the invention of any man

I believe that He who suffered
Was crucified, buried, and dead
He descended into hell and
On the third day, He rose again

He ascended into Heaven

Where He sits at God's mighty right hand
And I believe that He's returning
To judge the quick and the dead and the sons of men

And I believe what I believe, yeah
Is what makes me what I am
Oh, I did not make it, no it is making me
It is the very truth of God and not the invention of any man

And I believe it, I believe it
Oh, I say I believe it
Yes, I believe it
Oh, I believe it

And I believe in God the Father
Almighty Maker of Heaven and Maker of Earth
And in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Lord

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, one Holy Church
The communion of Saints
The forgiveness of sin

I believe in the resurrection
I believe in a life that never ends

I believe what I believe, yeah
Is what makes me who I am
No, I did not make it, no it is making me
I did not make it, no it is making me
I did not make it, no it is making me
It is the very truth of God and not the invention of any man

And I believe it, I believe it
And I believe, I believe it
Oh, I said I believe it
Do you believe it?
Do you believe it?
Do you believe it?
Yes, we believe
I believe, I believe.

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

One: Today is Ascension Sunday when we celebrate Christ's return to God.

All: We look up in wonder as He is lifted from us into heaven!

One: But this is not a time to gaze upward. There is work to be done.

All: Jesus has entrusted the ministry of God's love to us.

One: Let's get to work!

All: Let's make our hearts ready for the task ahead with prayer and praise!

"The Commission"

by Cain

See my hands and look at my feet
It's okay if it's hard to believe
I have faith you will do greater things
It's my time to go but before I leave

Go tell the world about me
I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while
But goodbye is not the end

Don't forget the things that I taught you
I've conquered death and I hold the keys
Where I go you will go too, someday
But there's much to do here before you leave

Go tell the world about me
I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while
But goodbye is not the

End of the journey, the end of the road
My spirit is with you wherever you go
You have a purpose and I have a plan
I'll make you this promise
I'll come back again but until then

Go tell the world about me
I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while
But goodbye is not the end
Go tell them about me
(Go tell the world) I've gotta go
(Go tell the world) for a little while
But goodbye is not the end

"Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong They are weak and He is strong
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so

Children's Time

"Come Follow Me"

**J. Althouse
MUMC Choir**

Acts 1.4-11

Ascension Sunday
It's time to get busy (but also wait)

Prayer

Response:

"Lord in Your mercy,
we lift these prayers up to you"

The Lord's Prayer

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.

"Pass It On"
(UMH 572)

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
and soon all those around
can warm up in its glowing.
That's how it is with God's love
once you've experienced it;
you spread his love to everyone;
you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring,
when all the trees are budding;
the birds begin to sing,
the flowers start their blooming.
That's how it is with God's love
once you've experienced it;
you want to sing, it's fresh like spring,
you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend,
this happiness that I've found;
you can depend on him,

it matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountaintop;
I want my world to know;
the Lord of love has come to me,
I want to pass it on.

**Offering
-Confirmation Mentors-**

**Sacrament of Baptism
Confirmation
Reception of New members**

Congregational Response

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news
And live according to the example of Christ.
We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness that
they may grow in their trust of God,
And be found faithful in their service to others.
We will pray for them,
That they may be true disciples
Who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Do you believe in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?
**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven,
Is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**


**Sacrament of Baptism
Desiree**

RESPONSE

**Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit
into God's new creation
and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood.
We are all one in Christ Jesus.
With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you
as members of the family of Christ.**


Confirmed in the Faith
Reception of New Members
Michelle Kayla
Lincoln
Quinn Caroline
Desiree



We give thanks for all that God has already given you
And we welcome you in Christian love.
As members together with you in the body of Christ
And in this congregation of The United Methodist Church,
We renew our covenant faithfully to participate
In the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence,
Our gifts, and our service
That in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Prayer of Dedication
Remembering our Baptism

“Lifesong”
by Casting Crowns
Empty hands held high
Such small sacrifice
Now joined with my life
I sing in vain tonight

May the words I say
And the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
Bring a smile to you

Let my lifesong sing to you
Let my lifesong sing to you
I want to sign your name
To the end of this day
Knowin’ that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to you

Lord I give my life
A living sacrifice
To reach a world in need
To be your hands and feet

So may the words I say
And the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
Bring a smile to you

Let my lifesong sing to you
Let my lifesong sing to you

I want to sign your name
To the end of this day
Knowin' that my heart was true
Let my lifesong sing to you
Hallelujah, Hallelujah let my lifesong sing to you
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Let my lifesong sing to you
Let my lifesong sing to you
I want to sign your name
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Closing Words

"My Feet Are on The Rock" by I Am They

I can see the clouds roll in
I can feel the wind as they try to shake me
I will not be moved
My feet are on the rock

I can feel the waters rise
I can hear the howling lies that haunt me
Fear won't hold me now
My feet are on the rock

When I feel my hope about to break
I will cling to Your unchanging grace
Let the waters come and the earth give way
I'll be dancing in the rain!
My feet are on the rock

I can see the morning light
I can feel the joy on the horizon
Here my faith is found
I stand on solid ground!

When I feel my hope about to break
I will cling to Your unchanging grace
Let the waters come and the earth give way
I'll be dancing in the rain!
My feet are on the rock

On Christ, the solid rock I stand

All other ground is sinking sand
So stomp your feet and clap your hands
Our feet are on the rock

On Christ, the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
So stomp your feet and clap your hands
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All other ground is sinking sand
So stomp your feet and clap your hands
Our feet are on the rock!

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I will cling to Your unchanging grace
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I will cling to Your unchanging grace
Let the waters come and the earth give way
I'll be dancing in the rain!
My feet are on the rock
My feet are on the rock
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*The altar flowers this weekend are donated by the Manning family,
in honor of their goddaughter, Quinn Smigelsky.*

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