# **The Federated Church**

United Church of Christ † Unitarian Universalist Association



A SEASON OF RESURRECTION May 30, 2021 | 10:00am

## "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." — Jesus, John 20:21

## "May Jesus be the Way you walk, the Truth you follow, the Life you lead."

— Mother Teresa of Calcutta paraphrasing John 14:6

#### **Order of Worship**

#### Prelude

#### Welcome & Passing the Peace

Gathering Song "Send Down the Fire" vv. 1 & 2 (p. 4)

#### **Centering Moment**

"When the crowd heard this... they asked Peter: "What must we do?" Peter replied: "Repent (which means, "change your heart, mind, and life,"), and be baptized." ~ Acts 2:38

#### Prayer of Confession & Repentance 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 debts, As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Sung Response** "You Are Here in Our Midst" (p. 6)

- **Scripture** Acts 2:29-33, 36-42; 1 John 2:7-10, 15-17
- Sermon "For the Sake of Those Outside"

#### **Musical Meditation**

#### **Our Shared Life & Offering**

**Sending Hymn** "Spirit, I Have Heard You Calling" (p. 5)

Benediction



#### Spirit, I Have Heard You Calling



#### You Are Here in Our Midst





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Regathering for in-person Worship, Sunday, June 13

You should have received a letter this week via email detailing our plan to return to in-person worship (if you're on our email list... if you're not and would like to be, please email Laura in the church office and let her know; her email is below). You can also find it here. For those who are not yet ready or able to attend in-person, we will continue offering the service via Facebook Live.

## **YOU** ARE WELCOME HERE!

**Federated Church is an Open & Affirming Community**. In a time of deep division and vitriolic rhetoric around issues of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexuality, and where the dignity of people living with disabilities or mental health issues are often ignored, demonized, or turned into a joke, we promise to:

Welcome all people of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith expression, marital status & family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, physical ability, mental or emotional condition, economic and social status, and educational background to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings, and joys of our church family.

**The Rainbow Flag**: We proudly display a rainbow flag at the front of our sanctuary as a visual declaration of God's extravagant and inclusive love, as well as of our own "promise of welcome" to all people. Our prayer is that everyone can both be and discover more fully their truest selves here. This flag serves as a particular signal that our church is a safe and affirming space for LGBTQ+ persons to be, to belong, to lead, to question, and to grow in faith.

# "Welcoming Any, Loving All"

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