

Worship Celebration: May 19, 2019
 EPWORTH: a United Methodist Church

9:15 a.m. (CONTEMPORARY)
 5th Sunday of Easter (Year C)



Easter Blessings! The season of Easter lasts for 50 days and we will spend the month of May looking at the blessings of Epworth and our community of faith. Our sermon series is called Blessed Assurance – after the old hymn that says: This is my story, this is my song! Epworth’s story is filled with rich history and an amazing future. Today’s message and service focuses on Jesus’ call to his disciples to “Feed My Sheep”. Today we must keep our eye on the tasks that we are called to and not let these

uncertain times in the Methodist Church distract us! We as disciples must maintain a life of prayer, study, and Christian action to effectively fulfill our commission. We welcome all of you on this Sabbath Day.

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VISION: Exploring Faith, Embracing Community

MISSION: Inviting All, Finding Your Place, Connecting to God, Demonstrating Care

☞ WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY ☞

Praise Gathering

BEAUTIFUL ONE

Wonderful, so wonderful is Your unfailing love.
 Your cross has spoken mercy over me
 No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart could fully know
 how glorious, how beautiful You are!

Beautiful One I love, Beautiful One I adore.

Beautiful One my soul must sing.

Powerful, so powerful, Your glory fills the skies,
 Your mighty works displayed for all to see.
 The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing:
 How marvelous, how wonderful You are! (Refrain 2X)

You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew,

You captured my heart with this love;
'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You. (*repeat*) {*Refrain*}

My soul, my soul must sing.
My soul, my soul must sing.
My soul, my soul must sing.
Beautiful One. (*repeat*) (*Refrain 2x*)¹

Greeting, Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth

Gwen

*Passing the Peace of Christ

*Singing in Praise

MY LIGHTHOUSE

In my wrestling, and in my doubts, in my failures, You won't walk out.
Your great love will lead me through; You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea.

In the silence, You won't let go. In the questions, Your truth will hold.
Your great love will lead me through; You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea.

My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse, shining in the darkness, I will follow You!
Oh My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse, I will trust the promise:
You will carry me safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

I won't fear what tomorrow brings. With each morning, I'll rise and sing.
My God's love will lead me through; You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea. *Chorus*}

Bridge: Fire before us, You're the brightest.

You will lead us through the storms. (*Repeat 4X – Chorus*)²

Children's Celebration

Terre Walton

✪ WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD ✪

NO TURNING BACK

I will follow You.
I will follow You.
No turning back, no turning back, no turning back, no turning back.

This is my heart cry: Though none go with me, the cross before me, the world behind me.
This is my heart cry: Though none go with me, the cross before me, the world behind me.

I will follow You. (I have decided, I have decided.)
I will follow You. (I have decided.)
No turning back, no turning back, no turning back, no turning back.

***Gospel Lesson**

John 21:1-19

Bill Martin

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way.

Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples.

Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was

Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No."

He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.

That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea.

But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."

So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn.

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord.

Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."

He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."

(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Brothers and Sisters,

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

\$Thanks be to God

NO TURNING BACK (CONT)

I will follow You. (I have decided, I have decided.)

I will follow You. (I have decided.)

No turning back, no turning back, no turning back, no turning back.

This is my anthem: My life for Your fame, my ev'ry move bring glory to Your name.

This is my anthem: My life for Your fame, my ev'ry move bring glory to Your name. {Refrain}

The cross before me, the world behind me; I will follow, I will follow. {4X}

TAG: No turning back, no turning back, no turning back, no turning back. {2X} ³

☞ We Engage the Word ☞

Sermon

Feed My Sheep

Rev. Todd Shultz

☞ WE RESPOND TO THE WORD ☞

Song of Response / Altar Call

THE HEART OF WORSHIP

When the music fades, all is stripped away, and I simply come;

Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart.

I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required.

You search much deeper within through the way things appear.

You're looking into my heart.

I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.

I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it, when it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.

King of endless worth, no one could express how much You deserve.

Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours, ev'ry single breath.

I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required.

You search much deeper within through the way things appear.

You're looking into my heart. *(refrain 2x)* It's all about You, Jesus. ⁴

Joys & Concerns

Gwen

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

(sung responsively)

Invitation to Offering ~ Please sign the blue Connections Pad and pass it down the row.

Todd

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Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!

Offertory:

ALL MY HOPE

I've been held by the Savior. I've felt fire from above.

I've been down to the river. I ain't the same; a prodigal returned.

All my hope is in Jesus. Thank God that yesterday's gone.

All my sins are forgiven. and I've been washed by the blood.

I'm no stranger to the prison. I've worn shackles and chains.
But I've been freed and forgiven. yes, I have. I'm not going back; I'll never be the same.
That's why I sing: {Chorus}

There's a kind of thing that just breaks a man, break him down to his knees.
God, I've been broken more than a time or two, yes, Lord.
Then He picked me up and showed me what it means to be a man.
Come on and sing: {Chorus 2X} ⁵

☞ We Are Sent into the World ☛

*Benediction

Todd

*Sending Song

DAYBYDAY

Day by day, Day by day, Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clearly, Love Thee more dearly,
Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day. (Repeat 4X)

LAST VERSE:

Day by day, Day by day, Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, (Repeat line 3x)
Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day. Day by day by day by day. ⁶

**Please stand as you are able.*

Bulletins for the month of March are sponsored by Russ Mullen.

Chancel Flowers are given

In Memory of Allen Edward Herman by his parents Allen and Wendy Herman.

In Loving Memory of George Simpson on the 2nd Anniversary (May 24) of his death by his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Stephen Ministers, wearing blue name badges, will be at each service if anyone in the Epworth family wants to talk about any life challenges.

The special Peace Candle on the Chancel shines to remind us of God's desire for peace throughout our world and our call to be God's peacemakers.

DVD and Broadcast Ministries: All Church Service at Epworth are presented using multimedia technology. The screens above the Chancel area are used for text, videos, photographs and live cameras. Each service is digitally recorded for archive purposes as well as for distribution to our homebound members on DVD. These recordings may also be broadcast or archived on our web page. Therefore, you may, at any time, be seen and recorded on camera - anywhere throughout the Sanctuary.

Acolyte Jiyanna Holt

Sound Sharon Wert, Josh Megee, Arne Jerfsten, Karen Kaufman

Ushers Head Usher: Jim Blakeslee

Usher Coordinator - Connecting to God Ministry Team

9:30: Pat Thornton, Tom Lechner, Duncan & Weezie Leet, Beth Rinker, Jayne Tamburello

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