

5th Sunday of Easter

White (symbolizing Life)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship Service

April 29, 2018

As you are seated, please remember to fill out the attendance pad and pass it along the pew.

* - Indicates those who are able may stand

Bold – Everyone speaks

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (blue hardcover)

FWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black paperback)

WAS – Worship and Song (green paperback)

Inspiration

The mind is its own place, and in itself can make a heaven of hell, a hell of heaven.

—John Milton, *Paradise Lost*.

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

8:30 Marsha Frederick

11:00 Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

8:30 Reta Boone
11:00 Jackie Holmquist

As we light this lamp, we pray for the safety of all who are in harm's way this day and especially for all those in the midst of conflict.

Grant us peace, grant them peace, grant the world peace, in the name of Your Son. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Sing your joy.

People: Dance your doubts.

Leader: Forgive your neighbor.

People: Offer your peace.

Leader: Live your hope.

People: Easter happens. Easter gladdens.

***Opening Hymn**

UMH #451

"Be Thou My Vision"

Call to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Invocation

Eternal God, fount of all wisdom, the giver of life; so fill our hearts with hope that in our doubts and despair we would learn to wait upon you. Sow in us seeds of your love that we learn to die with Christ and so share the glory of his resurrection. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Response and Call to Prayer

UMH #503

"Let It Breathe On Me"

Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Brief prayers may be shared by people in the congregation.

If it is a prayer request, the Pastor will end the prayer by saying, "God, to your love..."

If it is a praise, the Pastor will say, "God, in thanksgiving..."

Then the people shall respond each time by saying:

"...we trust this prayer."

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (11:00)

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.

Anthem (11:00)

"The Lion and the Lamb"

Choir

Especially for Children

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to Birchwood Camp)

To our first time visitors: As the offering plate is passed, please understand that your presence is the only gift we ask. If you would join us again next Sunday, that would be appreciated even more!

*Doxology

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Preparation (11:00)

FWS #2195

"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:25-31 *(UMH 752, response #2)*

1 John 4:7-21

*John 15:1-8

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

The Conversion of Eeyore

Rev. Tim McConville

Holy Communion* (8:30)

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Discipleship**

UMH #133

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

***Taking Christ's Light into the World**

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** (*words on the overhead beams*)

***Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.

Scriptures for next Sunday, May 6th

Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98 (UMH 818)

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

***Communion Note**

We also have a separate gluten-free bread and chalice available for those who cannot have gluten. Please ask the servers for "gluten-free".