



4TH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER

FESTIVAL OF THE  
CHRISTIAN HOME



MAY 8, 2022, 10 A.M. (IN-PERSON & ONLINE)

First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

May 8, 2022: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN-PERSON OR ONLINE AT 10:00 AM

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

\*Please stand if you are able.

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES** / Julia and Lilly Zeeb, Acolytes

**PRELUDE:** "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (By Dale Wood) / Robert Phillips, Organist

\***TRINITY BELLS** / Robert Phillips, Organist

\***CHORAL INTROIT:** "Christ Is Risen!" (By Jan Sanborn) / The Aldersgate Chorale  
(Directed by Yvonne Flagg; Accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist)

\***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from Psalm 23, John 10) / John Zeeb, Liturgist  
(Liturgist) Christ is our shepherd.

**(People) We are Christ's sheep.**

(Liturgist) The shepherd is calling us to join God's flock.

**(People) We will follow our shepherd.**

(Liturgist) Rejoice, little one, for no one can snatch us from the shepherd's hand.

**In God's flock, we rest secure.**

(Liturgist) Come! Let us worship.

**(All) Amen!**

\***OPENING HYMN:** #445 “Happy the Home When God Is There,” / All (Led by Jennifer Walker; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

Verse 1

**Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every breast;  
when one their wish, and one their prayer, and one their heavenly rest.**

Verse 2

**Happy the home where Jesus' name is sweet to every ear;  
where children early speak his fame, and parents hold him dear.**

Verse 3

**Happy the home where prayer is heard, and praise is wont to rise;  
where parents love the sacred Word and all its wisdom prize.**

Verse 4

**Lord, let us in our homes agree this blessed peace to gain;  
unite our hearts in love to thee, and love to all will reign.**

**WELCOME** / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

**THE CHURCH AT PRAYER** / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

**RESPONSIVE PRAYER (Mother's Day)**

(Pastor) For our mothers, who have given us life and love,  
that we may show them reverence and love,

**(All) we pray to the Lord...**

(Pastor) For mothers who have lost a child through death,  
that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them,

**(All) we pray to the Lord...**

(Pastor) For women, though without children of their own,  
who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us,

**(All) we pray to the Lord...**

(Pastor) For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength,  
who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families,

**(All) we pray to the Lord...**

(Pastor) Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch  
over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.

**(All) Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.**

(Pastor) Grant that we, their sons and daughters,  
may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.

**(All) Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(Adapted from The United Methodist Book of Worship, #438, “Mother's Day”)

**PRAYER RESPONSE:** "Amen" (Danish) / The Aldersgate Chorale (Directed by Yvonne Flagg; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**CHILDREN'S TIME** / Mateo Mamea

**ANTHEM:** "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" (from William Walker's *Southern Harmony*, arranged by Dennis Allen) / The Aldersgate Chorale (Directed by Yvonne Flagg; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**\*GOSPEL READING:** Acts 9:36-42 (NRSV)

*Peter's Life-Giving Ministry in Joppa*

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

(Liturgist) The Gospel of the Lord.

(All) Thanks be to God.

**SERMON:** "TABITHA, GET UP!" / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION:** #2188 "The Family Prayer Song" / (Led by Jennifer Walker; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

### Verse 1

Come and fill our homes with your presence;  
you alone are worthy of our reverence.

### Refrain

As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.  
As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.  
We will serve the Lord.

### Verse 2

Lord we vow to live holy,  
bowing our knees to you only.

[Refrain]

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Adapted from John 20)

(Liturgist) We rest secure in God's flock. In gratitude and thanks, let us give our gifts and ourselves to our Good Shepherd!

**(All) Amen!**

## HOW TO GIVE / John Zeeb, Liturgist

There are many ways to get your donation to our church. You may give online on the church's website: [www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving](http://www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving). Using your smart phone, you may scan the QR code shown on the screen or on the order of worship sent to you via email. It leads you to the eGiving page.

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Or you may simply hand your donation to the usher as you leave the church today. An offering plate is always available in the narthex for you to place your offering when entering or leaving.

Thank you so much for being faithful to God through our Church!

**Offertory:** "Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless" by Joseph W. Clokey / Robert Phillips, Organist

**\*DOXOLOGY #95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Words by Thomas Ken; Music attr. to Louis Bourgeois) / All

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise him, all creatures here below;**

**praise him above, ye heavenly host;**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (Adapted from Acts 9 & John 10) / John Zeeb,  
Liturgist

**Loving Shepherd, we thank you for your tender care. Everything we have comes from the goodness of your love. Receive the gifts we return to you now, that sheep in other flocks may come to know you and discover that you are the one who lays down your life for the flock. Amen.**

**LAITY BLESSINGS** / Loretta Cudney, Co-Lay Leader

**\*SENDING HYMN #664 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"** / All (Led by Jennifer Walker;  
Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

**Verse 1**

**Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The service is ended, O now be extended  
the fruits of our worship in all who believe.  
The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer the call.**

**Verse 2**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,  
The tasks of our everyday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.  
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;  
unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving  
give honor to Christ and that name which we bear.**

**\*RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION** (Adapted from Psalm 23)

(Pastor) The Lord is our shepherd; we shall not want.

**(People) We lie down in green pastures and drink from still waters.**

(Pastor) Our shepherd restores our souls.

**Even though we walk through the darkest valleys, we fear no evil, for our shepherd travels with us.**

(Pastor) Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives.

**(All) And we will dwell with our shepherd forever. Amen!**

**POSTLUDE "The Lord Is My Faithful Shepherd"** (by Johann Pachelbel) / Robert Phillips/Organist

**CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD** / Julia and Lilly Zeeb, Acolytes  
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***God Bless You!***



*Our Big Thanks to the Worship/Media Team members who have faithfully served today:*

*Acolytes: Julia and Lilly Zeeb*

*Organist: Robert Phillips*

*Liturgist: John Zeeb*

*Hymn Leader: Jennifer Walker*

*Anthem: The Aldersgate Chorale*

*Director: Yvonne Flagg*

*Children's Time: Mateo Mamea*

*Laity Blessings: Loretta Cudney, Co-Lay Leader*

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*Altar Décor: Rev. Beverly Devine and the Décor Team*

*Head Usher: Matt Gorder*

### **In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**Rose Roberts (Jazz & Chandra Roberts' Family), Chandra Roberts, Lynn Ashworth, Cheryl Riggs, Eugene Brown, Jason Pritchard, Nathaniel Pritchard, Greg Campbell, Tony Miller, Lisa & David Wallace, Winston, Madison (and her father), Jeff Rindskopf, Randy, Jordan, Jim Ashworth, Margaret Berger, Lee Ann and Alfred Kocharian, Buddy Irving, Brian Weidinger, Rosalie Bustamante, Debbie Hofmann, John Logger, Bill McInRoe, Dianne Purkey, Mary Bidwell, Mary Boon, Virginia Brawner, Melva Cooke, DeDe Earhart, Velma Wellborn, Bill Wolter, Family of Doris Wright, Family of Kathleen Phillips, Sabrina Gilbert, Family of Tom Hanrahan, Bill Kerrick, Cody Williams, Family of Bob Mayou, Barbara Spencer, Lopez Family, Stephanie Rush.**

**(Please update our prayer list by contacting our church office. Thank you!)**

**THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Please contact the church office for more details.

**Sunday, May 8**

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) - 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship (Sanctuary) - 10 am  
Children's Sunday School (Fellowship Hall) - 10:15 am  
UMM Hosting Zoom Fellowship with Guest Speaker (Zoom) - 11:30 am

**Tuesday, May 10**

Bell Rehearsal (Mary's Kitchen) - 7 pm  
SPRC - 7 pm  
Faith & Fellowship - 7 pm

**Wednesday, May 11**

Parents' Morning Out (PS Room 2) - 9 am  
UWF Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom) - 1 pm  
Youth (Youth Center) - 6:30 pm  
Bible Study: "The Bible Year" (Zoom) - 7 pm

**Thursday, May 12**

Aldersgate Chorale Rehearsal (Music Room) - 7 pm

**Sunday, May 15**

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) - 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship Family Sunday with The Response (Sanctuary) - 10 am  
Children's Sunday School (Fellowship Hall) - 10:15 am  
Missions Garden (Patio) - 11:00 am

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