



An Open & Affirming Congregation in the United Church of Christ

Order of Worship for 5/14/2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Amelia K. Fulbright, Transitional Pastor

Prelude.

“May-Night”

S. Palmgren

Welcome & Opening Sentences

Call to Worship (Today’s liturgy is adapted from UCC Worship Ways resources.)

One: Creator God, you call us.

Many: We say, yes, to your invitation and we gather as one to worship you.

One: Creator God, you invite us to stay with you.

Many: You never leave us, you never forsake us, you abide with us, and we gather as one to worship you.

One: Creator God, you love us.

Many: Extravagant is your welcome, great is your faithfulness, your grace overflows, and we gather as one to worship you.

*One: Loving God, we give you thanks and praise for being with us today and always. You have gathered us here to celebrate you—our Creator, our Mother, our Father—with the gift of your Holy Spirit. As we worship, we humbly pray for the Spirit to keep our hearts, minds, and souls in tune with the Risen Christ. **Amen.***

***Hymn of Celebration:**

“Bring Many Names”

Glory to God #760

Listening To the Sacred Text:

Acts 17:22-31

Listening for the Spirit in Silence

Word and words, O God. Help us to hear the One among the many.

Reading

“A Morning Offering”

John O-Donohue

Anthem

“Love” ~ CCA Choir

Koepke

Reflecting

“The Mothering of God”

***Hymn of Reflection:**

“Great is Your Faithfulness”

New Century Hymnal #423

Invitation to Generosity

Offering our gifts and our prayers

Offertory Music:

“Lullaby for a Stormy Night”

Vienna Teng

***Doxology** (Tune: *Old Hundredth*, *New Century Hymnal #780*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that love has done.

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

***Sending Song:**

“The Day of Resurrection”

New Century Hymnal #245

***Benediction**

Postlude:

Andante Cantabile from Trio #4 in C

W. A. Mozart

**** Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.***

Leading In Today’s Service:

Laura Martin, Director of Music

Britt Hicks, Director of Online Ministries

Bill Beardall, Usher

CJ Wood, Liturgist

Jonathan Geer, Piano

Amy Harris, violin

Liz Lee, cello