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5th Sunday Of Easter

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Shawn Pearce-Chambers	Lay Leader
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*Indicates those who are able to please stand

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CANDEL OF SALVATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

God is our Rock and our Fortress.

In God, we find refuge and strength.

God's house has many dwelling places.

We will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Christ himself has gone to prepare a place for us.

For us, Jesus is the way, the truth and the life.

So let us worship God in Spirit and in Truth. Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT When I Survey The Wonderous Cross VU#149

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

PRAYER OF APPROACH (UNISON)

Steadfast God, you are our refuge in times of trouble our shelter when we are afraid, and our dwelling place forever. In you alone we place our trust for you set the way before in Christ Jesus and your Spirit gives us courage to follow him. And so, we offer you our worship and love as the Source of life for the world, as the Son who preached the truth of grace and mercy, and the Spirit who guides us this day and always. AMEN.

***HYMN All People That On Earth Do Dwell VU#822**

STORIES FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Steadfast God, we confess Jesus as the way, the truth and the life for us, yet we often fail to follow him, too often gone our own way, distorted the truth and led hollow lives. Forgive us for falling short of your purpose for our lives. Give us courage to follow Jesus, who continues to show us the way. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING (UNISON)

Gracious God, send us your Spirit to guide our understanding as we listen to the Scriptures so that we may follow you more closely, know your truth more fully, and share in your gift of life more abundantly, through Christ, your Living Word. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Proverbs 4:10-18 (NRSV)

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 1:13-25 (NRSV)

MESSAGE "Living A Holy Life"

***HYMN Just As I Am VU#508**

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY Take My Life And Let It Be VU#506**

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee VU#232**

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

***CHORAL BLESSING Go Now In Peace (Besig)**

POSTLUDE