



MOUNT HOLLYWOOD

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

~ *Order of Worship* ~
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22nd, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

"Womanist is to feminist as purple is to lavender." – Alice Walker

We Gather in Community

Welcoming Music Joe Lawrence

Welcome Rev. Ashley

Ringing of the Bell Young Person

***Gathering Hymn** #472 *Precious Lord, Take my Hand*

Gathering Prayer Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

Pádraig O'Tuama, Corrymeela Community, adapted

One: We are always welcomed by you God, the Croí of all being.

All: We bear witness to our faith, knowing that we are called to live lives of courage, love and reconciliation in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of each day.

One: We bear witness, too, to our failures and our complicity in the fractures of our world.

All: May we be courageous today. May we learn today. May we love today. Amen.

***Passing the Peace** Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

One: We are invited to feast at the table of God's Shalom,
to seek the well-being and the wholeness of all creation.

Peace for our bodies

Peace for our souls,

Peace in our relationships.

Peace in our world.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

We Share the Word

Time with Our Young People Rev. Ashley

Centering Time Rev. Ashley

Be still and know that God is God.

Be still and know that God is.

Be still and know.

Be still.

Be.

Solo

“A Song of Trust”
Rada Jovicic, soloist

Franz Schubert

Reading

Acts 16:9-15

Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

A vision of a man from Macedonia came to Paul during the night. He stood urging Paul, “Come over to Macedonia and help us!” Immediately after he saw the vision, we prepared to leave for the province of Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We sailed from Troas straight for Samothrace and came to Neapolis the following day. From there we went to Philippi, a city of Macedonia’s first district and a Roman colony. We stayed in that city several days. On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the riverbank, where we thought there might be a place for prayer. We sat down and began to talk with the women who had gathered. One of those women was Lydia, a Gentile God-worshiper from the city of Thyatira, a dealer in purple cloth. As she listened, the Lord enabled her to embrace Paul’s message. Once she and her household were baptized, she urged, “Now that you have decided that I am a believer in the Lord, come and stay in my house.” And she persuaded us

Reflection

Rev. Ashley

We Pray

***Centering Hymn**

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Lord Prepare Me, to be a Sanctuary

Joys, Concerns and Discoveries - Silent Prayer

Rev. Ashley

It is our practice at Mt. Hollywood to share our Gratitude and Joy, Concerns and Discoveries.

Our Common Prayer (Unison)

Our Father/Mother/Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Give

Words that Inspire us to Give

Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

Offertory

“My Tribute”
Greg Carson, soloist

Andrae Crouche

Prayer of Dedication

Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

We Are Sent

Announcements

Mary Frances Smith-Reynolds

***Closing Hymn**

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Every Step of the Way

***Benediction**

Rev. Ashley

Postlude

Joe Lawrence

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