

Morning Worship

May 22, 2022, 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: The Holy Spirit

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Sunset and Evening Star" arrg. Robert W. Thygerson

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Darlene Dopler-Palin

*Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Psalm 67 Leader

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

People: **that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People: **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People: **The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.**

ALL: **May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.**

*Opening Hymn "Shall We Gather at the River" UMH #723
(v. 1, 3,4)

*Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Leader
Loving Father, How wonderful to know that we have the Holy Spirit of God living in our hearts, teaching us the truth of Your Word, and guiding our steps. Thank you that our frail bodies have become a temple in which He has come to reside – forever. Open our understanding to the immeasurable riches of Your grace towards us - and your power in us. Thank you for your companionship with us, and your love for us. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM "Love is the Greatest of These"

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: [Acts 16:9–15](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Lesson: [John 14:23–29](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Love God - Get a Helper" Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Hymn of Response "Just a Closer Walk With Thee" TFWS #2158

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

*Doxology & The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Triune God, we once again approach your altar with our offerings. We give of our treasures, but more importantly, we give of ourselves. You, however, gave ALL to us. You did not hold back to give your very self to us in the person of Jesus. Then you continued to give your very self to us in the form of the Holy Spirit. Thank you, for your generosity to us. Allow us also to give ALL back to you. Please accept these gifts, and bless our lives, for the work of your Church in this world today. We pray this is Jesus' name. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn “God of Grace and God of Glory” UMH #577
(v. 1, 2, 4)

*Benediction

*Benediction Resp. “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” UMH #349

Coffee Hour Host: Thanks to the Sherwood Family!!



Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for
Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship
Next up: [Luke 24:44-53](#)



[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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“Growing in the Body of Christ”