

COVENANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MAY 12, 2019  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

Ringing the Bell and Lighting the Candle

Prelude *"My Lord Is Near Me All the Time"* (arr. A.L. Page)

Welcome

\*Introit *"The Family Prayer Song"* #2188 (TFWS)  
Choir will sing v. 1 and refrain  
congregation will sing second refrain

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us lay down our burdens and worship the Lord!

**People: Our faith will be nourished as we hear God's Word, and our hopes restored with our songs of praise.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.

**People: And kindle in them the fire of your love.**

\*Hymn of the Day *"To God Be the Glory"* #98 (UMH)

Time for Younger Christians

Mother's Day Song Rainbow Puppets  
Puppeteer: Vicki Vossekul

\*Gospel Reading Luke 2:1-20  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

Special Music *"Just For You"* Covenant Choir

Message "Challenging Times" Rev. Chris Deaner-Rogers

\*Hymn *"The Gift of Love"* #408 (UMH)

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Moment for Mission Golden Cross  
*Today's loose offering supports this mission.*

Offering *Our guests should not feel obligated to contribute to our offering.*

Offertory *"May Jesus Christ Be Praised"* (arr. M.B. Talley)

\*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* #94 (UMH)

\*The Prayer of Dedication

**You, O Lord Jesus are the good shepherd who provides for all our needs. We bring these offerings before you in confidence of your love and care. Bless these gifts and we ourselves, that your hope for the world will be shared with all. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed #881 (UMH)

\*Closing Hymn *"Be Thou My Vision"* #451 (UMH)

\*Sending Forth

Postlude *"Christ Is Alive"* (arr. J. Holstein)  
(We invite you to please stay and listen to the Postlude.)

Our mission is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the  
Transformation of the World.

**Today's Worship Team**

**Organist/Pianist:** Seth Dobson

**Choir Director:** Pastor Chris Deaner-Rogers

**Liturgist:** Deb Christian

**Children's Time:** Diane Weider

**Head Ushers:** Bill Kelley

**Ushers:** Dave Miller and Marilyn Stillings

**Acolyte:** Riley Dehnel

**Sound/Video Team:** Kelly Braun, Diane Weider, Carol Schumacher, Dave Olson

**Fellowship Hour:** Heritage Circle



*We ask for prayers for health, wisdom, encouragement, and strength to be raised to God for the following, in God's name we pray . . . as well as for all our unspoken prayer concerns.*

Miriam Wicke, Dick Welch, Jim Beekman, Diane Jewson, Sandy Thern, Mary Libertine, Donna Born, Marge Miller, Yolanda Mason, Ed Sadler.

**The report from the Last Week**

Attendance: 98

Regular Giving: \$5943.00

Native American Ministries: \$228.71

Other: \$877.00

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"Train a child in the way (on the road)  
he should go, and, even when old, he  
will not swerve from it."

Proverbs 22:6

