# First United Methodist Church May 17, 2020



Worship: 5:00 pm on Saturdays; 10:00 am on Sundays

202 S Peoria Ave Dixon, IL 61021

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Our mission is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by faithfully uplifting the message of Christ

### **Prelude**

### Welcome and greeting

### **GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

## \* Call to Worship

L: Live in God's love!

P: Let that love be poured out for all God's people!

L: Bring hope and peace to all whom you meet.

P: We are called to be God's witnesses.

L: Celebrate and rejoice.

P: Praise be to God who has called, healed, and given us a ministry of peace. AMEN.

\* Hymn of Praise:

"The Church's One Foundation"

#545 UMH

# \* Opening Prayer

Source of all creation, maker of the world and everything in it, you are never far from each one of us. We come into your house seeking you, O giver of life and breath.

Reveal yourself to us; dwell with us; and abide in us.

We live because of you.

We hope because of you.

In the name of Jesus Christ in whom we live, and the Spirit of Truth who abides in us, amen.

\* Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

#70 UMH

Passing the Peace of Christ digitally

## **FOCUSING ON GOD'S CALL TO US**

### **Scripture Reading**

### 1 Peter 3:13-22 (NRSV)

- 3:13 Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good?
- 3:14 But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated,
- 3:15 but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you;
- 3:16 yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame.
- 3:17 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.
- 3:18 For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit,
- 3:19 in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison,
- 3:20 who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.
- 3:21 And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you--not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
- 3:22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Message Chosen and Precious: Be ready. Pastor Heewon

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

**Hymn of Response** "Beams of Heaven as I Go"

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**Congregational Prayers** Please finish filling out your connect cards and place them in the offering plates when we receive the offering.

# Telling of God's Activity and sharing Joys and Concerns Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer

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

### **Giving of Ourselves and Our Offerings**

Offertory

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom...."

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\*Prayer of Thanks and Dedication
Giving Digitally? - use our QR Code

\*Hymn of Going Forth "In Christ Alone"

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*Credits for Liturgy:* Pastor Heewon, Ministrymatters.com, Global Board of Discipleship, and Nancy Burnett

Weekly Bible Reading—Bible Overview Reading Plan 5/18/2020 21 Acts 5/19/2020 22 Acts 5/20/2020 23 Acts 5/21/2020 Acts 24 5/22/2020 Acts 25

<sup>\*</sup>God's Blessing

<sup>\*</sup>Postlude