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*Happy Mother's Day!*

May 8, 2022 Worship

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Just a few notes to keep in mind:

- ♦ We are singing in person together again! So come, and sing boldly!
- ♦ Masks optional for all activities in the church building.

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## **Prelude**

**Welcome/Announcements** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Call to Worship** (Charlie Currens)

What is it that binds us? Isolates us from each other?

Holds us back?

In all that is before us, with all of the anxiety we carry, may we enter today

into the story of Paul and Silas.

Let our voices lift in song, singing praises, for wherever we are,  
with whomever we can, we worship.

In all of our anxiety, may we hold this together knowing the hope  
we have in Jesus.

Let us worship God

**Opening Song:** For the Beauty of the Earth

**Prayer of Reconciliation:** (VeraRae Boucheu)

**Assurance of Grace** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Prayer of Illumination:** (Bryce Kube)

**Scripture:** Acts 16: 16-34

**Children's sermon:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Sermon:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Call To Offering** (VeraRae Boucheu)

**Offertory: He Lives** by Anthony Skinner, Chris McClarney, & Jonathan Smith, Karen Johnson, singer

**Doxology:**

**Blessing of Seniors:**

**Slideshow:** How Great is our God CCLI#4348399

**Prayers of the People:**

All: 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 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.

**Closing Song:** Thirst No More CCLI Song # 7158818

Lisa Smith songleader, Steve Braden accordion, Rob Smith guitar

**Charge and Benediction:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

## **Announcements**

**At the April 11, 2022 session meeting, Session made the decision to go masks optional for all activities in the church building, including worship!**

**Attention Members:** We will have an abbreviated Special Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, May 15. This special congregational meeting is for the purpose of electing Vickie Fischer as deacon. That will be the only business conducted so it will be brief.

**News from the Christian Education Committee:**

Today, May 8th during the morning worship service, we will honor our Graduates!

On Sunday, May 15th during the morning worship service we

will recognize Sunday School and M&M kids, youth, teachers, and leaders! Please join us in person or online.

Children's Sunday School classes meet 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

There will be a PreK - 2nd grade class and a 3rd-5th grade class. We will bring the children back to the sanctuary for the Children's sermon at 10:15 and then the children can sit with their parents during the rest of the service.

Teachers: May 8 – Karen, May 15 – Karen, May 22 – Ryan

**Membership Class:** The New Member class will meet again today at 11:15am, here at the church. The class will be offered in person (but available online for those unable to attend in person). We'll be receiving the new members in worship on Sunday, May 15.

If you are looking for ways to help the people of Ukraine, here are a couple of effective organizations that are working to bring relief:

- Church World Service, which sponsors CROP Walks, also works in the areas of disaster relief and refugee resettlement and is actively responding in the Ukraine crisis. You can read about their efforts and donate here <https://cwsglobal.org/appeals/ukraine-crisis-response-fund/>
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is also actively involved, and you can read about their response here <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/ukraine/>

**GriefShare Program Thursdays at 6:30 pm,** at Spirit of Life Church

This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Past participants have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussions were to them. Many grieving people find they are only beginning the work of healing when friends or family have returned to their daily life routines.

Too often people, including Christians, tend to bury their grief instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it

is intended. Don't allow fear of what others may think to keep you from what could help you. Confidentiality is very much a part of this program.

Please contact Bob Shepard or Jacqui Hicks for more information or to sign up.

**Coffee and Conversation Mondays, from 9:20 am to 11:00 am.** Great opportunity to meet with Pastor Rob and others. Come as you are. This is a gathering online and in person. It is open for you to pop in and out any time so feel free to drop in and say hello. \*Note, same time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>

From Community Service: Our LITTLE FREE PANTRY has been of great use to our neighbors and is in need of frequent replenishment! We can now resume contributing canned items as well as other non perishables. Donations may be left in the little pantry or in the cabinet inside the church entry. Many thanks for your wonderful support of our pantry and neighbors!

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