



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2026

10:00 am

*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.
Liturgist for today's worship is Alex Aning.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP* (from Psalm 31)

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

**Risen Lord, give us your Advocate,
the Spirit of truth, to abide in us as we abide in you.**

Jesus said, "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you."

**Risen Lord, we will watch for your coming.
Because you live, we will live in you.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Loving God, we do not always keep your commandments; we fail to love you; our conscience is not clear. Wash us in the water of life that we may live again through the grace and mercy of Jesus, our resurrected Savior.

[silence]

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON

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**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

GOSPEL – John 14:15-21

Alex Aning

“I won’t leave you orphans. I will come to you..”

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

“O the Boundless Love of God”

NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 17:22-31

“In God we live, move, and exist.

As some of your own poets said, ‘We are his offspring.’”

SERMON

Dr. Linda Dickerson

“The Companion”

CHORAL RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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**Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be,
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.**

**Like a mother you enfold me,
hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body,
form me of your flesh and bone.**

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE

We affirm the unity of God’s being and work. We may not separate the work of God as Creator from the work of God as Redeemer. We may not set the Son’s love against the Father’s justice. We may not

value the Holy Spirit's work above the work of the Father and Son. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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 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.

HYMN* *"In Christ There Is No East or West"* 317

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE* 295, v. 3

**Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

FELLOWSHIP TIME – All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES