



**May 10, 2026** **Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

Welcome Rev. Chris Michael

Bringing of the LightBell of Mindfulness  
(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Speak, O Lord"  
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend  
Arr. Mary McDonald

\*Call to Worship Leslie

Carlisle  
One: We can stare up at the sky,  
**All: or be Jesus' followers here and now.**

One: We can search for directions to glory,  
**All: or we can serve with hope and love.**  
One: We can wring our hands, worrying we are alone,  
**All: or we can discover the Beloved Community which is all around us.**

**\*Hymn #56**  
**"For the Beauty of the Earth"**

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Leslie Carlisle  
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Leslie Carlisle  
  
Deuteronomy 6:4-7

One: The Word of God for the people of God  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

***Recognition of 2026 Graduates & Blessing of the Keys***

Children's Blessing Rev. Chris Michael

Ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited forward for a blessing, then will be escorted to  
Worship and Wonder (located at the end of the first floor education wing)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Chris Michael

**HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

One: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael  
  
"For God is My Witness"

Invitation to Discipleship

**\*Hymn #558**  
**"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (vs. 1 & 3)**

**OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD**

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael  
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"To a Wild Rose"  
Edward MacDowell

\*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)  
\*Dedication Prayer

**RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion  
without regard for denominational affiliation.  
You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.*

Invitation to Communion Bonnie Brown & Cathy Midkiff  
Words of Institution  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano  
  
"You'll Never Walk Alone"  
Richard Rodgers  
Arr. Brent Edstrom

**GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE**

\*Benediction Rev. Chris Michael  
One: The Lord be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

\*Please stand if you are able.

**Scripture Reading**

**First Reading - Deuteronomy 6:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>"Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup>Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

**Second Reading - Phillipians 1:3-8**

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God for every remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy <sup>5</sup>for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus.

*We have placed flowers on the chancel in honor of Mother's Day, our 2026 graduates, and our new drivers.*