

God of life, we're scared by death.
SAVE US FROM DESPAIR. GIVE US HOPE.

God of love, we're not generous with grace.
SAVE US FROM BITTERNESS. GIVE US JOY.
God of freedom, we prefer our borders and boxes.
SAVE US FROM HATE. GIVE US NEW HEARTS.

God of peace, we seek security in power.
SAVE US FROM CRUELTY.
GIVE US THE STRENGTH OF YOUR LOVE.

Hear this word of grace, my friends ... AMEN

Prayer of the Day

God of wonder, so often we stand staring at the sky, wondering where you have gone, when you are right here with us throughout our life's journey. Assure us of your presence and lead us toward a world in need of your love. Amen.

HYMN *What a friend we have in Jesus* HWB 574 (traditional tune)

Lighting the Peace Lamp – Readings from FMC Senior Youth Peace Essays through the years

IMAGINE

HYMN *Come and fill our hearts – repeated as a prayer* (STJ 59)

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Acts 1:6-14*
Sermon

PRAY

Music for Meditation *Salut d'Amour* Op. 12 ... Edward Elgar
Prayers of the People (with Lord's Prayer)

RETURN

HYMN *Move in our midst* HWB 418

Benediction

Postlude *remain seated to receive the postlude as a musical blessing. Fellowship time follows worship, Sunday School classes begin at 11:00am*

(Easter Season worship resources: created by WorshipWell, adapted for our use.)

Sound: Earl Ediger & Allen Yoder
Livestream: Joel Iwashige
Nursery Attendant: Joel & Hilda Iwashige
Ushers: Russ Wedel & Diane Ziemer
Organist: Pauline Buller
Piano (Prelude): Duncan Krehbiel, Bailey Krehbiel
Cello (Music for Meditation): Cathia Krehbiel
Worship Leader: Star Gipson
Scripture Reader: Elsie Wickliffe
Children's Time: Jennalee Boggs
Peace Lamp & Sermon: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

WELCOME!!

We are so glad you are here!

Coming up at FMC...

- May 12 – Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC)
 - May 22 – Recognition of High School graduates in worship
 - May 25 – WNAF Dinner (5:45) and Discussion (6:30) – *follow up to April 20 discussion re: resolutions @ MC USA assembly*
 - May 28 – FMC serves at Soup Kitchen – SIGN UP in foyer
 - May 29 – 5th Sunday: No Sunday School – stay for Fellowship!
 - June 5 – Pentecost Sunday (*tentatively* outside on parking lot at the usual time)
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO LIGHTHOUSE!!

Good news!! We have reached our LightHouse fundraising goal of \$22,000! As of 5/3/22 the total is \$26,350. The Centennial Committee really believes that this speaks to the tremendous generosity of you all

and we would like to thank you for your gifts.

The \$22,000 will be used for construction costs and furnishings for the apartments. **But we are not finished!** More dollars are needed for ongoing maintenance needs, so your donations are still very much appreciated from now until October and beyond.

More details can be found in a longer announcement on our website.

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