

ORDER OF WORSHIP

HYMNS FOR GATHERING

#570 *Sweet Hour of Prayer!*
#16 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

WELCOME Rev. Marsha McFadden Quick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES/RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *Meditation on "Green Hill"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP Jim Rolland

Leader: I will extoll you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

People: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

People: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!

Leader: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

All: So that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #231 *Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us*

*OPENING PRAYER

Living God, long ago, faithful women proclaimed the good news of Jesus' resurrection, and the world was changed forever.

Teach us to keep faith with them, that our witness may be as bold, our love as deep, and our faith as true. Open our hearts to Your power moving around us and between us and within us, until Your glory is revealed in our love of both friend and enemy, in communities transformed by justice and compassion, and in the healing of all that is broken. Amen

ANTHEM *Psalm 121* Chancel Choir

First Lesson Acts 9: 1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson John 21: 1-19

Leader: God is still speaking

People: Spread the Good News!

SERMON "Shepherding 101" Pastor Marsha

*HYMN #452 *Here I Am, Lord*

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Beautiful Savior*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, You have called us to follow in the way of Your risen Son, and to care for those who are our companions, not only with words of comfort, but with acts of love. Seeking to be true friends of all, we ask that You accept these gifts on behalf of the church and the world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #677 *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Praise the Lord on High*
By Rachel Sawyer

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CUCC Mission Statement

*Joyfully serving God, our church family, and neighbors,
near and far, with dignity, compassion, and respect.*

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

REV. MARSHA MCFADDEN QUICK

CAROLYN DICKS, ORGANIST