Order of Worship

SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE EASTER SEASON

9:30 am – May 22, 2022

Participating Live?

Text your praver requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.

Prelude Allemande from Cathedral Suite Gordon Young Lance Crane, organ GREETING Hymn Forward Through the ages **UMH 555** Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer, Public Domain. Music: Arthur S. Sullivan, Public Domain. 1. Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine; gifts in differing measure, hearts of one accord, manifold the service, one the sure reward. Refrain: Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine. 2. Wider grows the kingdom, reign of love and light; for it we must labor, till our faith is sight. Prophets have proclaimed it, martyrs testified, poets sung its glory, heroes for it died. [Refrain] 3. Not alone we conquer, not alone we fall; in each loss or triumph lose or triumph all. Bound by God's far purpose in one living whole, move we on together to the shining goal. [Refrain] **CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive) Bob & Kathy Fierro, liturgists Give thanks to God, for God is good: With joy we worship a limitless God. Give thanks for God's revelation through Christ: In boldness we dare to follow Christ's path. Give thanks for God's sustaining spirit! With humility, we receive God's continuing love! Let us worship and praise God together. HYMN Healer of Our Every Ill **TFWS 2213** Words and Music: Marty Haugen, ©1987, GIA Publications, Inc. Song # 00115. Permission to reprint, podcast, and/or stream the music in this service obtained from One License with license #734744-A. All rights reserved. **Refrain:** Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow. 1. You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness;

Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [Refrain] 2. In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,

give us all your vision, God of love. [Refrain]

3. Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother;

Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [Refrain]

4. You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;

Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [Refrain]

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

 SPECIAL MUSIC
 Immortal Love, Forever Full
 Eugene Butler

 VFUMC Chancel Choir; Bob Riggs, interim director; Lance Crane, accompanist
 Eugene Butler

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SCRIPTURE

Acts 16: 9-15; John 14: 23-29 (NRSV) Bob & Kathy Fierro, liturgists The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

Pastor Matt McPhee

 MUSICAL RESPONSE
 Shepherd Me, O God (2x)
 TFWS 2058

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Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)

God of the mountains and the valleys, of the dry places and oceans: Your voice speaks to us across creation; the flowers and the trees sing of your majesty; and the stars of the night speak of how much we still don't know. As we offer gifts to you and speak our words of gratitude, help us to hear your voice anew. Give us ears to hear, faith to believe, and determination to truly listen to how you would send us into a hurting world. In Christ, we pray. Amen. (umcdiscipleship.org, ©2022)

Hymn

Trust and Obey

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 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with Refrain:
 Refrain: Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.
 Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey. [Refrain]
 But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey. [Refrain]
 Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

Postlude

Toccata in G from *Douze Piècespour Orgue* Lance Crane, organ Théodore Dubois

Prayer Request

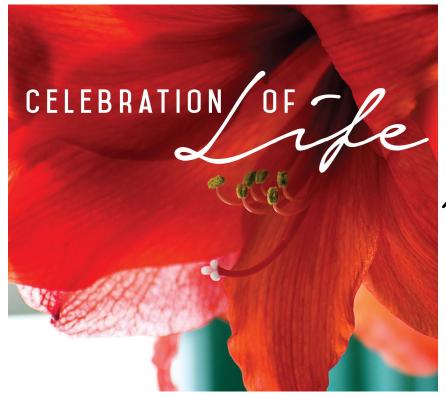
Saint Andrew UMC—Pastor Eric Scott

North Hills Hispanic Mission—Pastor Ervin Gilliam

Kate Stradling—ongoing health issues

Dixie Zimmer—health issues

All those affected by the recent mass shootings



Libby Williams Saturday May 28 10:00 in person in the sanctuary