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***Fifth Sunday***

***July 30, 2023***  
***11:00 A.M.***

***The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-  
Teacher***

*Lay Leader: Cleveland Robinson*    *Worship Leader: Maggie Sofidiya*  
*Pianist: Kristi Helfen*    *Drums: Ben Wilkinson*  
*Percussion: Sam Jones*

PRELUDE *Here I Am to Worship* - Hughes/Dalton

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) **Lay Leader**  
Leader: Come let us rejoice in Christ our Savior.  
**People: He is worthy of all our praise and adoration.**  
Leader: Come let us humble ourselves before The Almighty.  
**People: We will sing and pray and praise Him all day long.**

OPENING SONG **Hymn No. 60**  
*Come, Christians Join to Sing*

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*In Unison*)  
Thank you, Father God, that You are never too busy to listen to our humble cry. We come in the name of Your Son Jesus Christ to confess our sins. We have not been diligent in seeking Your presence or Your wisdom. We say we are too busy to spend uninterrupted time studying Your Word and learning to listen to Your voice. Have mercy on us we pray.

+RESPONSE **Lay Leader**  
O heavenly Father, thank You for Your Son Jesus, who made himself known to the disciples. Thank You that we can know him too. Open our eyes that we may behold him in all his redeeming work: that, by the power of the Holy Spirit, You will give us the determination to spend time in Your presence, for Jesus lives and reigns with You, Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen \*

OFFERING OF PRAISE  
*He is Exalted*  
*The Heart of Worship*  
*Change My Heart Oh God*

+PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

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GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
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OFFERTORY **Kristi Helfen**  
*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*  
Kirkpatrick/Kaiser

OFFERTORY RESPONSE  
*Doxology*

+SCRIPTURE READING  
*If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.*

Luke 19: 1-10

**Reader: The Word of the Lord**  
**Response: Thanks be to God**

SERMON **Pastor Jimmy McGee**  
*Engaging Systemic Change*

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING HYMN **Hymn No. 318**  
*Trust And Obey*

BENEDICTION **People: Amen**

POSTLUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* - Beethoven/Lopez

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.  
GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.  
*Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.*  
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+No entry at this time. \* Prayers by Maggie Sofidiya

## **COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING**

Come, Christians, join to sing  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice,  
Before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice;  
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend;  
To us He'll condescend;  
His love shall never end;  
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore,  
His goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore,  
"Alleluia! Amen!"

Christian H. Bateman

## **HE IS EXALTED**

He is exalted, the King is exalted on High;  
I will praise Him.  
He is exalted, forever exalted  
And I will praise His name!  
He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign;  
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.  
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

You are exalted, my King, You're exalted on High;  
I will praise You.  
You are exalted, forever exalted  
And I will praise Your name!  
You are the Lord, forever Your truth shall reign;  
Heaven and earth rejoice in Your holy name.  
You are exalted, my King, You're exalted on high.

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## THE HEART OF WORSHIP

When the music fades,  
All is stripped away,  
And I simply come;  
Longing just to bring  
Something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart.

### Chorus:

I'll bring You more than a song,  
For a song in itself  
Is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within,  
Though the way things appear;  
You're looking into my heart.  
I'm coming back to the heart of worship,  
And it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,  
When it's all about You, it's all about You,  
Jesus.

King of endless worth  
No one could express  
How much You deserve.  
Though I'm weak and poor,  
All I have is Yours,  
Ev'ry single breath.

### Chorus

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## CHANGE MY HEART OH GOD

Change my heart Oh God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart Oh God, may I be like You.  
You are the potter, I am the clay,  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart Oh God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart Oh God, may I be like You.

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## **WHEN WE WALK WITH THE LORD**

### **(Trust and Obey)**

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 all who will trust and obey.

#### *Refrain:*

Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,  
But His smile quickly drives it away;  
Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh or a tear,  
Can abide while we 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.

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.

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.

John H. Sammis