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Fifth Sunday
October 29, 2023
11:00 A.M.

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

Lay Leader: Christiana Ashong *Worship Leader: Beryl Lindsay*
Pianist: Kristi Helfen *Drums: Ben Wilkinson*
Percussion: Sam Jones

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Lay Leader

Leader: We gather in this sacred space

People to offer our thanks to God with all our hearts.

Leader: We gather with this community of faith

People to follow Jesus, who longs to lead us into life.

Leader: We gather in these moments,

All: to learn all we can of grace from the Holy Spirit.

OPENING HYMN

Hymn No. 35

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

+RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Youth Reader

Psalm 121: 1-8 (NIV)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Unison)*

O loving God, Your word promises us entrance through gates of righteousness, but who are we to do that? On our journey through life our hearts and our hands have become stained and dirtied. Forgive us, God of goodness and grace. Speak to us of healing, so we might bring help to others. Speak to us of grace, so hearing we may share it with everyone we meet. Speak to us of love and life, so we may offer it as freely as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has brought it to us. **Amen ***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Lay Leader

God searches for the lost and finds us.

God invites the hungry to the table and feeds us.

God sends Jesus and frees us from death's prison.

God forgives all who sin and heals us with mercy and grace.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

OFFERING OF PRAISE

*All I Have is Christ
Jehovah Is Your Name
Alpha and Omega*

+PASTORAL PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY

Open Our Eyes

Kristi Helfen

Cull / Kaiser

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Chancel Choir

The Old Rugged Cross

By George Bennard

+SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

Psalm 100: 5

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Pastor Richard Allen Farmer

"The Whats and Why of Worship", part 2

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 417

From Every Stormy Wind That Blows

BENEDICTION

People: Amen

POSTLUDE *Sing Praise to God* Kirchengesange / 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 Beryl Lindsay*

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
 In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
 Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
 Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
 Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
 Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
 Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and
 love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small,
 In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
 We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
 And wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
 Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
 All praise we would render, O help us to see
 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Walter C. Smith

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST**Chorus:**

Hallelu-Jah, All I have is Christ!
 Hallelu-Jah! Jesus is my life! (2x)

I once was lost in darkest night,
 yet thought I knew the way.
 The sin that promised joy and life,
 had led me to the grave.
 I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your
 will.
 And if You had not loved me first,
 I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race,
 indifferent to the cost,
 You looked upon my helpless state and led me to
 the cross.
 And I beheld God's love displayed,
 You suffered in my place.
 You bore the wrath reserved for me,
 now all I know is Grace.

Chorus

Now Lord I would be Yours alone,
 and live so all might see.
 The strength to follow Your commands,
 could never come from me.
 O Father use my ransomed life,
 in any way You choose.
 And let my song forever be,
 my only boast is You!

Chorus

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JEHOVAH IS YOUR NAME

Jehovah is your name
Jehovah is your name
Mighty warrior, Great in battle
Jehovah is your name
2x
Mighty warrior, Great in battle
Jehovah is your name
2x

Jehovah is your name
Jehovah is your name
Mighty warrior, Great in battle
Jehovah is your name'

Benjamin Dube

ALPHA AND OMEGA

You are Alpha and Omega, sing
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

We give You all the glory
We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

You are Alpha and Omega
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

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CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 430

FROM EVERY STORMY WIND THAT BLOWS

From every stormy wind that blows,
From every swelling tide of woes,
There is a calm, a sure retreat;
'Tis found beneath the mercy seat.

There is a place where Jesus sheds
The oil of gladness on our heads;
A place than all beside more sweet;
It is the blood-bought mercy seat.

There is a scene where spirits blend,
Where friend holds fellowship with friend;
Though sundered far, by faith they meet
Around one common mercy seat.

Ah! whither could we flee for aid
When tempted, desolate, dismayed
Or how the hosts of hell defeat
Had suffering saints no mercy seat.

Ah! there, on eagle wings we soar,
And sin and sense molest no more;
And heav'n comes down, our souls to greet,
While glory crowns the mercy seat.

Hugh Stowell

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Youth Reader

Psalm 121: 1-8 (NIV) (insert)

Congregational [Response] v2:

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Reader: I lift my eyes to the mountains, where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Response

Reader: He will not let your foot slip. He who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Response

Reader: The LORD watches over you. The LORD is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

Response

Reader: The LORD will keep you from all harm. He will watch over your life; the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. **(Response)**