

# *First United Methodist Church*

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*Welcome! We are a Congregation Caring For and About God's Community*

*April 18, 2021 - 10:00am*

*Third Sunday in Easter Season*

**\* You are invited to stand if you are able**

## **GATHERING AND PRAISE**

**Prelude:** *"Because He Lives"* William/Gloria Gaither; arr. Marianne Kim

### **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Opening Hymn:** *"All Who Love and Serve Your City"* UMH #433

**For those who need to see the full music, it is attached at the end of this document  
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| 1) All who love and serve your city,<br>All who bear its daily stress,<br>All who cry for peace and justice,<br>All who curse and all who bless: | Call to mind the word of Jesus,<br>"Work ye yet while it is day."  |
| 2) In your day of loss and sorrow,<br>In your day of helpless strife,<br>Honor, peace, and love retreating,<br>Seek the lord, who is your life.  | 4) For all days are days of judgment,<br>And the lord is waiting still,<br>Drawing near to all who spurn him,<br>Offering peace from calvary's hill. |
| 3) In your day of wealth and plenty,<br>Wasted work and wasted play,   | 5) Risen Lord, shall yet the city<br>Be the city of despair?<br>Come today, our judge, our glory,<br>Be its name, "The Lord Is There!"               |

## **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

### **The Opening Prayer (in unison):**

**Risen Lord, live in us, that we may live in you. We gather to thank you that in your resurrection we are renewed and transformed. Like the butterfly, we unfold and fly free—free from the cocoon, free from the graveclothes that have bound us: our fears, our prejudice, our anger, our self-centeredness, our loneliness, our ailments. Strengthen us to soar with your grace, and give us the courage to love your world as you do, until it, too, is renewed and transformed through your resurrection. Amen.**

### **Time of Silent Meditation**

### **Pastoral Prayer lifting Celebrations and Concerns**

**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.**

## Living Our Gratitude

♪ Please continue to support your church family during this time of “social distancing”. Enjoy the musical selection as a time to give thanks to God for all with which you have been blessed.

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**Offertory:** “Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”

William Doane; arr. Dale Wood

**Children’s Message** – A special moment with the Pastor just for kids

## Special Music:

### Blessing Medley:

“There Shall Be Showers of Blessing  
Make Me A Blessing”

D.W. Whittle / James McGranahan

Ira B. Wilson / George S. Schuler

*There shall be showers of blessing –  
this is the promise of love.*

*There shall be seasons refreshing,  
sent from the Savior above.*

*Showers of blessing,  
showers of blessing we need;  
Mercy-drops round us are falling  
but for the showers we plead.*

*Out in the highways and byways of life,  
many are weary and sad.*

*Carry the sunshine where darkness is rife,  
making the sorrowing glad.*

*Make me a blessing, make me a blessing,  
out of my life may Jesus shine;*

*Make me a blessing, O Savior, I pray,  
make me a blessing to someone today.*

*Give as ‘twas given to you in your need  
love as the Master loved you!*

*Be to the helpless a helper indeed  
unto your mission be true.*

*Make me a blessing, make me a blessing,  
out of my life may Jesus shine;*

*Make me a blessing, O Savior, I pray,  
make me a blessing to someone today.*

## Scripture Lesson:

Acts 5:27-42

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, ‘We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.’ <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.’ <sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, respected by all the people, stood up and ordered the men to be put outside for a short time. <sup>35</sup>Then he said to them, ‘Fellow Israelites, consider carefully what you propose to do to these men. <sup>36</sup>For some time ago Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and about 400 men joined him; but he was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and disappeared. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up at the time of the census and got people to follow him; he also perished, and all who followed him were scattered.

<sup>38</sup>So in the present case, I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone; because if this undertaking is of human origin, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them—in that case you may even be found fighting against God!’ They were convinced by him, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they had them flogged. Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name. <sup>42</sup>And every day in the temple and at home they did not cease to teach and proclaim Jesus as the Messiah.

### **Response to the Word**

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**P: Thanks be to God!**

### **The Meditation:**

“DETERMINED”

*Pastor Amy Terhune*

### **The Sacrament of Holy Communion:**

L: The Lord be with you,

**P: *And also with you.***

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: *We lift them up to the Lord.***

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: *It is right to give our thanks and praise!***

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere,  
to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.  
From the earth you bring forth grain of the field and fruit of the vine.  
You formed us in your image, delivered us from captivity,  
and made covenant to be our sovereign God.  
And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**P: *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!***

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your son, Jesus Christ.

Emptying himself, that our joy might be full, he fed the hungry,  
healed the sick, ate with the scorned and forgotten,  
forgave his tormentors upon the cross, rose from the dead  
and was recognized by his followers in breaking bread.

On the night he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said

“Take; eat; this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, when the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you,  
gave it to his disciples, and said: “Drink from this all of you; this is my blood  
of the new covenant poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
As often as you drink of this, remember me.

And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Christ Jesus,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

***P: Christ has died; Christ is risen, Christ will come again!***

L: Let us pray: Holy God, in this time of illness,  
your people cannot gather together as fully as we would like.  
Therefore, pour out your Holy Spirit on us wherever we are;  
Bless the unique offering of bread and juice  
in each household within reach of my voice.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ;  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.  
By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast together at his heavenly banquet.  
Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*At this time, you are invited to consume the bread and juice you’ve set aside  
at your own home for the sharing of the Sacrament.*

*Those attending in person are invited to make their way to the closest station  
and receive a container with bread and juice.*

*Please leave the plastic cups in your pew for recycling.*

**Music During Communion:** “Come to the Table of Grace” W&S #3168

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| 1) Come to the table of grace.<br>Come to the table of grace.<br>This is God’s table,<br>it’s not yours or mine<br>Come to the table of grace. | 2) Come to the table of peace...<br>3) Come to the table of hope...<br>4) Come to the table of love...<br>5) <i>(if needed)</i> Come to the table of joy...<br>6) <i>(if needed)</i> Come to the table of grace... |
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***WE GO AS WITNESSES FOR CHRIST IN THE WORLD***

**\*Closing Hymn:**

*“We All Are One In Mission”*

*TFWS #2243*

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| 1) We all are one in mission;<br>We all are one in call,<br>Our varied gifts united<br>By Christ, the Lord of all.<br>A single, great commission<br>Compels us from above<br>To plan and work together<br>That all may know Christ's love. | To touch the lives of others<br>By God's surprising grace,<br>So every folk and nation<br>May feel God's warm embrace.   |
| 2) We all are called for service,<br>To witness in God's name.<br>Our ministries are different;<br>Our purpose is the same:  | 3) Now let us be united,<br>And let our song be heard.<br>Now let us be a vessel<br>For God's redeeming Word.<br>We all are one in mission;<br>We all are one in call,<br>Our varied gifts united<br>By Christ, the Lord of all. |

**\*Benediction:**

**L:** Beloved, go from this time together determined to do good, to obey God’s call on your life, to love selflessly, and to be grateful, and the presence of God – Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit – goes before you in grace.

**P: Amen! We go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord and all God’s creation.  
Thanks be to God!**

**\*Postlude:**

*“Blessings”*

*by Richard Kingsmore*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Follow us on Social Media!** *Even virtually, be sure to check in on Facebook! The more of us that do, the more people learn about who we are!*

YouTube: **Saginaw First UMC**

Twitter: **FirstUMCofSaginaw**

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**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:** Jane Burgess

**PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Mark Abbe, Connor Ashmall, Marilyn Ashmall, Ed Babinski, David Barker, John & Myrna Cammin, Jim Cloud, Bill Cowdry, Bonnie & Pat Dole, Chris Everett, Esther Cavendish Fisher, Dr. Kirk Herrick, Glenn Hinds, Barb Kropp, Walt & Joyce Maltman, Camille Marek, David & Cheryl Marks, John Mertz, Merlyn Mondol, Bob & Sharon Mueller, Dave & Jean Nelson, Ron Perry, Al Reichard, Anne Ruffle, Eugenia Shek, and Rev. Jim Smith. Also, please pray for UMCOR, healing from the Covid-19 Virus, and a way to peace and equality for all humankind.

**LIMITED IN-PERSON WORSHIP** has resumed. **YOU MUST SIGN UP** to attend Sunday worship or Taizé services in person. **MASKS REQUIRED.** Call the church office at (989) 799-0131 or **SIGN UP ONLINE [HERE](#).** **VIEW THE RE-OPENING PLAN [HERE](#).**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** – Tuesday, April 20, 7:00pm via Zoom.

**THERE ARE SEVERAL OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED IN HANDS-ON VOLUNTEER WORK THE COMMUNITY IN THE COMING MONTHS:**

**ONE WEEK ONE STREET – June 21-25, 2021.** New Heart, Ames, and First UMCs are working together with other interested UMCs from around Central Bay District to sponsor a house for the One Week One Street Community Revitalization. An organizational meeting for ALL interested Methodists is being held at Saginaw First UMC on Sunday night, May 2 at 7:00pm. If you're interested, but cannot attend the meeting, please contact your pastor so they can pass on information.

**COMMUNITY EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP** – The Ezekiel Project's Environmental Justice Task Force is launching a community-wide clean up this Saturday, April 24th, 2021 from 11 am - 3pm. We will be focusing our efforts on the Bridges of Saginaw City located on Holland, Court, and M-46. Meet us at the City Hall parking lot on E. Holland and Washington at 10:30 am and be sure to wear your masks and bring work gloves! To register, go to our website at [theezezielproject.com](http://theezezielproject.com) or our Facebook page @TheEzekielProjectSaginaw

**LEGO READING PROGRAM** – The Ezekiel Project is also looking for adult mentors to participate in the LEGO (Literacy Expands Greater Opportunities) reading program with 3<sup>rd</sup> grade children from Jessie Loomis and Jessie Rouse Elementary Schools in the City of Saginaw. Mentors must apply and pass a background check, and will then be reading with students virtually via Zoom for one hour a week through the end of the school year on either Mondays or Thursdays from 4-5pm. If you are interested in becoming a LEGO mentor contact Hayley at [rezezielorganizer@gmail.com](mailto:rezezielorganizer@gmail.com).

# All Who Love and Serve Your City 433

*Unison*

1. All who love and serve your cit - y, all who  
 2. In your day of loss and sor - row, in your  
 3. In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed  
 4. For all days are days of judg - ment, and the  
 5. Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the

bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for peace and  
 day of help - less strife, hon - or, peace, and love re -  
 work and wast - ed play, call to mind the word of  
 Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near to all who  
 cit - y of de - spair? Come to - day, our Judge, our

jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless:  
 treat - ing, seek the Lord, who is your life.  
 Je - sus, "Work ye yet while it is day."  
 spurn him, of - fering peace from Cal - vary's hill.  
 Glo - ry, be its name, "The Lord is there!"

WORDS: Erik Routley, 1966 (Lk. 19:41; Ezk. 48:35)  
 MUSIC: USA melody; harm. and arr. by Carlton R. Young, 1964

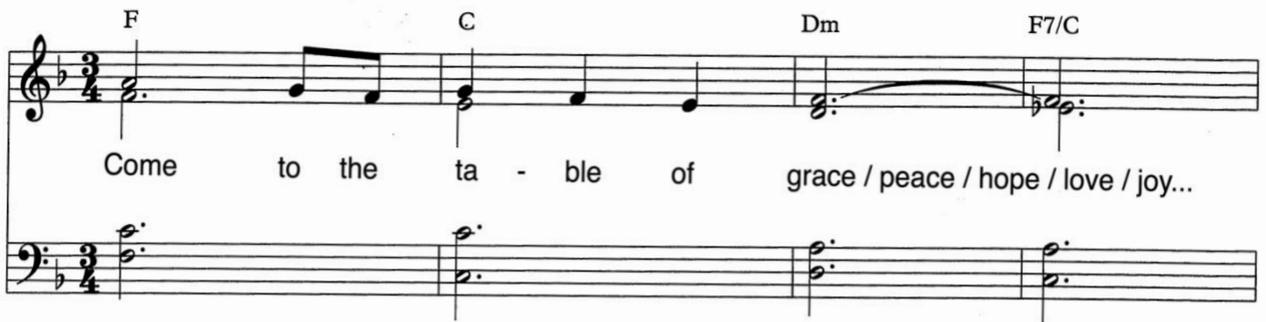
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# Come to the Table of Grace

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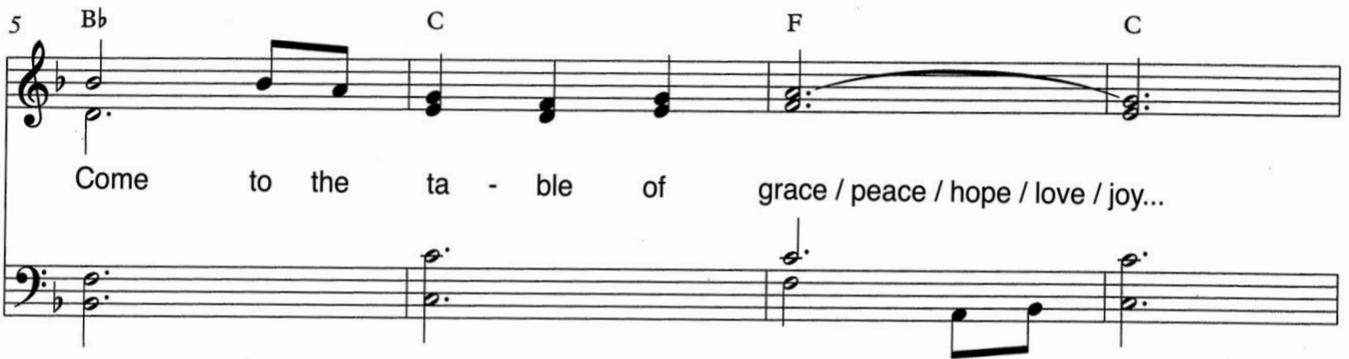
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F C Dm F7/C



Come to the ta - ble of grace / peace / hope / love / joy...

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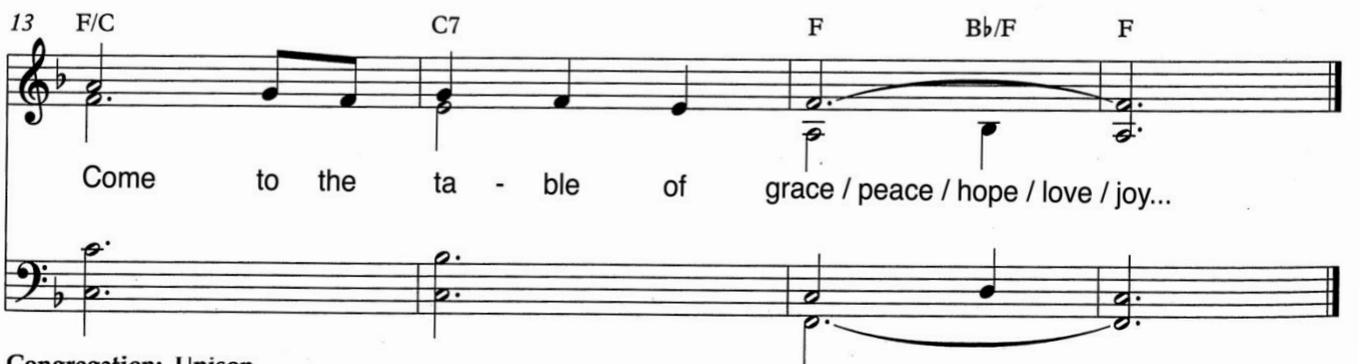
Come to the ta - ble of grace / peace / hope / love / joy...

9 F Gm F/A Bb



This is God's ta - ble; it's not yours or mine.

13 F/C C7 F Bb/F F



Come to the ta - ble of grace / peace / hope / love / joy...

**Congregation: Unison**

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# We All Are One in Mission

B♭/D Eb Fm/E♭ Cm7 Fm/C Cm Fsus F B♭ B♭/A♭ Eb/G B♭ B♭7 Cm Eb/B♭

1. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our  
 2. We all are called for service, to witness in God's name. Our  
 3. Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now

Abmaj9 Fm/Ab Cm Fm/C Cm Fsus Fm7 B♭ B♭/A♭ Eb/G B♭9 B♭7 Ebsus Eb B♭/D

var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all. A  
 min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same: To  
 let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word. We

Cm Cm/E♭ Ebmaj7 Fsus F B♭ Gm Cm Cm7 Fm Fm9 B♭sus B♭7

sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove to  
 touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace, so  
 all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call, our

Cm B♭/C Abmaj7 Fm/Ab Abmaj7 Fm sus Fm Fm7 B♭ B♭/A♭ Eb/G Eb B♭7sus B♭7 Eb

plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
 ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.  
 var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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WORDS: Rusty Edwards (Matt. 28:19-20; 1 Cor. 12:4-6)  
 MUSIC: Finnish folk melody; arr. by Joel Martinson  
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