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## Moving in the Spirit...

A diverse, welcoming, caring, and active faith community.  
A place to learn, grow, build a relationship with God,  
and make a difference in the world.



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**SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022**

~ Fourth Sunday of Easter ~

~ Mother's Day ~

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHER'S DAY

Worship Team: Rev. Abiel Khalema, Dan Leaver, Cathie Banks, Sheila Carson

Music Team: Karen Schuessler, Adult Choir, Kevin White (soloist),  
Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema (djembe)

VU = red hymnal Voices United | MV = More Voices hymnal  
Music Credits: One License #A-738765 | \* = stand if able

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

**Prelude:** Earth Carol & Hymn to the Moon (St. Francis Suite, Richard Purvis)  
Karen Schuessler

**Life and Work of the Church** Cathie Banks

**Indigenous Land Acknowledgment** Dan Leaver

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** Dan Leaver

## WE APPROACH GOD

**\*Call to Worship** (responsive) Cathie Banks

One: Christ is our shepherd.

**All: We are Christ's sheep.**

One: The shepherd is calling us to join God's flock.

**All: We will follow our shepherd.**

One: Rejoice, little one, for no one can snatch us from the shepherd's hand.

**All: In God's flock, we rest secure.**

One: Come! Let us worship.

**\*Hymn:** She Comes Sailing on the Wind VU 380 v. 1, 3, 4, 5

**Opening Prayer** (in unison) Cathie Banks

Loving shepherd, in the midst of sorrow and loss. You wipe away every tear from our eyes. May the wonders of love reach down to us this day. As Peter raised Tabitha from the dead, raise us also to new life. Help us cling no longer to the darkness threatening to overcome our world that

we may reside in the glory of the lamb. Wake us from the slumber that numbs our spirit, even as you nourish us in the strength of your spirit. May we see the shepherd living in us and may we come to dwell in your pastures, which remain ever green. Amen

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**Learning with Children** Dan Leaver

**The Lord's Prayer** (in unison) VU page 921 and pew card Congregation

**Scripture:** Psalm 23 and Acts 9:36-43 and John 10:27-30 Sheila Carson

**Anthem:** Baba Yetu (Christopher Tin) Adult Choir  
*Text of Baba Yetu is the Lord's Prayer in Swahili. "Baba" means "father". This song is from the video game, Civilization IV, and won a Grammy award.*

**Reflection:** Safe With the Shepherd Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

**\*Hymn:** I Heard the Voice of Jesus VU 626 all verses

**Gratitude is the Best Attitude** Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema

**\*Offertory Prayer** Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema

**Prayers for the People** Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema

**\*Hymn:** Blessed Assurance VU 337 v. 1 & 3

**\*Commissioning & Benediction** Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema

**\*Congregational Response** (sing 2x in unison) VU 649 refrain only

**Walk with me, I will walk with you  
and build the land that God has planned  
where love shines through.**

**Postlude:** Canticle of the Sun (Purvis) Karen Schuessler

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The sanctuary flowers today are donated by Karen Schuessler in memory of her mother, Frieda, and in gratitude for Mother Earth.