

## Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 25, 2014

**Prelude**

Glenda Teachey

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Choral Call to Worship**

“America” v-1

UMH 697

**Greeting**

L: Let us rejoice, for morning has dawned. A new day has been born, and we are newly alive to enjoy it.

**P: We know the beauty of God's creation and the wonder of the human family. We remember those whose love has shaped our lives and those whose struggle for justice has been unsleeping even in night times of loneliness.**

L: We gather in our church to worship God, to share prayers and gifts, to pledge ourselves to God's work in the world.

**P: May God bless us, so that what we do in this time together may be honest, sacred, and filled with hope.**

**\*\*Opening Hymn**

“This is the Day of New Beginnings”

UMH 383

**Unison Prayer**

**Gracious God, comfort of the grieving, peace of the troubled, we turn to you. Bring to our minds awareness of what it means to live in Christ's presence. Give us hearts of love and prepare us to risk as your friends. Send your Spirit to guide us in everything, through the promise of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**Hymn of Preparation**

“Jesu, Jesu”

UMH 432

**Liturgy of the Word:**

First Reading

Micah 6:1-8

Gospel

John 15: 5-17

**Message:**

“In Her Eyes”

Rev. Jim Skillington

**Offertory**

“God Bless America”

Choir

**\*Please stand as you are able**

**\*\* Lighting of the candles**

**\*Doxology**

“America” v-4

UMH 697

Our fathers’ God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing;  
long may our land be bright with freedom’s holy light;  
protect us by thy might, great God, our King

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Praises & Prayer Requests**

*After each praise or prayer request: “Lord, hear our prayer.”*

**Recognition of Veterans**

**Liturgy of the Table**

Holy Communion

Musical Setting B

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**Prayer after Communion**

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**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which  
You have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the  
name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*The Apostles’ Creed**

UMH 881

**\*Closing Hymn**

“Here I Am, Lord”

UMH 593

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

Rev. Jim Skillington

L: Now that you have heard the good news, what will you do?

**P: We will go out into the world, showing by our lives that Christ is the  
vine and we are the branches.**

L: Praise God! And how will you do this?

**P: We will tell the story of God’s love for the world in Jesus Christ, and we  
will continue Christ’s loving acts among humanity.**

**ALL: Alleluia! Praise God, Indeed! Amen.**

**\*Choral Response**

“Grace Alone”

TFWS 2162

**Postlude**

Glenda Teachey

**We welcome you to worship with us again!**

*To our guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor’s card located in  
the pews and place it in the offering plate, or see an usher or the Pastor. Join us in the  
Overflow Room for a “Meet & Greet” after the service.*

**Readers**

May 25 Ken Dobrovolsky  
June 1 Mike Scobell  
June 8 Barb Cook

**Communion Servers**

May 25 Mike Scobell  
June 1 Shirley and Cara Massey  
June 8 Bob and Mary Crouse

**\*Please stand as you are able**