

Ascension Sunday – May 17, 2015

**\*\*Prelude**

Shirley Gamber

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Choral Call**

“He is Lord”

UMH 177

**\*Call to Worship** (from Psalm 98)

Pastor Katie

L: Sing to the Lord a new song,

**P: for he has done marvelous things.**

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

**P: break forth into joyous song.**

L: Let the floods clap their hands, let the hills sing for joy at the presence of the Lord,

**P: for he is coming to judge the earth.**

L: He will judge the world with righteousness,

**P: and the peoples with equity.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”

UMH 312

**Unison Prayer**

*Creator of the universe, you made the world in beauty, and restore all things in glory through the victory of Jesus Christ. We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war and greed, the new creation in Jesus Christ may appear in justice, love, and peace, to the glory of your name. Amen.*

**Hymn of Preparation**

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

UMH 173

**Liturgy of the Word**

**New Testament**

Acts 1:1-11

**Psalm**

Psalm 47, read responsively

UMH 781

**\*Gospel**

Luke 24:44-53

**Message**

“The Ascension”

Pastor Katie

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

\*Please stand as you are able

\*\* Lighting of the candles

## Praises and Prayer Requests

After each praise, "Lord, hear our praise." After each concern, "Lord, hear our prayer."

## Prayer Response

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

UMH 349

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.*

## Holy Communion

### \*Closing Hymn

"Jesus Shall Reign"

UMH 157

### \*Benediction

### Choral Response

"Shalom to You"

UMH 666

### Passing of the Peace & Postlude

Shirley Gamber



### 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	Communion	
		Server(s)	Cantor
May 17	Shirley Massey	Barb Cook	
May 24	Dawn Smith		
May 31	Mike Scobell	Barb Cook	Dawn Smith
June 7	Sharon Metcalfe	No Communion	

\*Please stand as you are able