

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST		
First United Methodist Church of Houston		
July 6, 2025 11:00 a.m.		
PRELUDE	America the Beautiful Copyright 2012, Hope Publishing Company	arr. Joel Raney
CALL TO WORSHIP	Revive Us Again, v. 1 (PDM)	CCLI Song #28232
We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love, for Jesus who died and is now gone above. Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.		
WELCOME	Anthony Rogers, Dr. Brant Wallace, Cathy Airola, & Charlotte Newton	
HYMN OF WELCOME	He Lives	UMH 310
I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever foes may say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, and just the time I need Him, He's always near.		
Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.		
In all the world around me I see His loving care, and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast; the day of His appearing will come at last. (Repeat Refrain)		
Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind. (Repeat Refrain)		
IFE OF THE CHURCH	Geoffrey Mburu & Rev. Steven Newcomb	
OFFERING PRAYER	Rev. Steven Newcomb	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD	Congregation	
MINISTRY IN MUSIC	'Til the Storm Passes By Sanctuary Choir	arr. Jay Rouse
Copyright 1973, renewed 201 Mosie Lister Songs, Southern Faith Songs In the dark of the midnight have I oft hid my face while the storms howl above me, and there's no hiding place. 'Mid the crash of the thunder, precious Lord, hear my cry, "Keep me safe 'til the storm passes by." Many times Satan whispered, "There is no use to try, for there's no end of sorrow, there's no hope by and by." But I know thou art with me, and tomorrow I'll rise where the storms never darken the skies. 'Til the storm passes over, 'til the thunder sounds no more, 'til the clouds roll forever from the sky; hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of thy hand; keep me safe 'til the storm passes by. When the long night has ended, and the storms come no more, let me stand in thy presence on that bright, peaceful shore. In that land where the tempest never comes, Lord,		

may I dwell with thee when the storm passes by. 'Til the storm passes over, 'til the thunder sounds no more, 'til the clouds roll forever from the sky, hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of thy hand; keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.		
*OFFERING RESPONSE	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.		
INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick	
Merciful God, we confess that we have not always loved you with our whole hearts. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will; we have broken your law; we have rebelled against your love; we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.		
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick	
Hear the good news... ..in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.		
RESPONSE OF ASSURANCE	Because He Lives (Refrain)	UMH 364
Refrain: Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone, because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.		
TIME FOR CHILDREN	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick	
*HYMN OF PREPARATION	The Old Rugged Cross (vs 1, 4)	UMH 504
On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain. Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown. To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share. (Repeat Refrain)		
*SCRIPTURE	1 Corinthians 3:4-7, 21-22	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick
The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!		
MESSAGE	The Only One Who Is Anything	Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick
PASTORAL PRAYER	Rev. Amanda Davis	
*HYMN OF INVITATION	Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone (vs 1,3)	UMH 424
Must Jesus bear the cross alone, and all the world go free? No, there's a cross for everyone		

The consecrated cross I'll bear
till death shall set me free;
and then go home my crown to wear,
for there's a crown for me.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Rev. Steven Newcomb
Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord!**
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God! **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

...and so, with your people on earth and all the Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick
company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
**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!**

...as we proclaim the mystery of the faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, Rev. Amanda Davis
now and forever.
Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC He Hideth My Soul arr. Cliff Duren
Sanctuary Choir, Cynthia Douglas, soloist
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A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord, a wonderful Savior to me.
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, where rivers of pleasure I see.
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of His love and covers me there with His hand,
A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord. He taketh my burden away.
He holdeth me up, and I will not be moved. He giveth me strength as my day!
When clothed in His brightness, transported I rise to meet Him in clouds of the sky!
His perfect salvation, His wonderful love I'll shout with the millions on high, oh high!
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of His love and covers me there with His hand!
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of His love and covers me there with His hand!

*THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SONG The Lord's Prayer arr. Albert Hay Malotte
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**Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

STEP FORWARD IN FAITH Rev. Amanda Davis

*BENEDICTION Rev. Lindsay Kirkpatrick

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Everybody Ought to Know Harry Dixon Loes
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**Refrain: Everybody ought to know, everybody ought to know,
everybody ought to know who Jesus is. (Repeat Refrain)**

**He's the Lily of the Valley; he's the bright and morning star.
He's the fairest of ten thousand. Everybody ought to know. (Repeat Refrain)**

POSTLUDE Stars and Stripes Forever John Philip Sousa
(PDM)

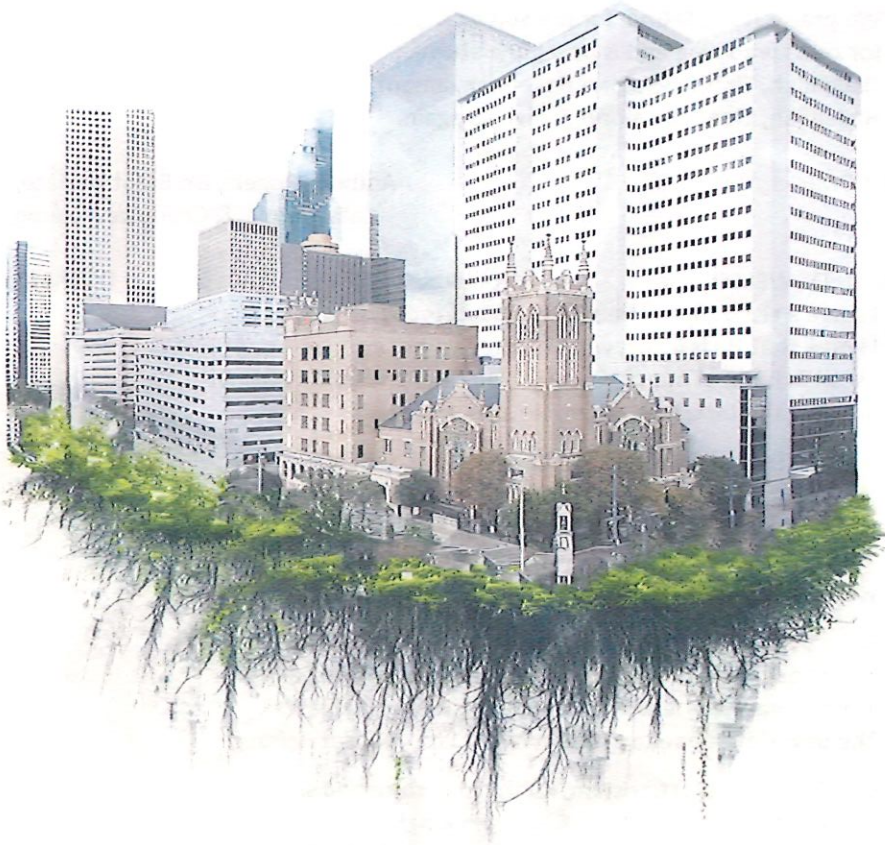
ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are given in celebration of the 70th wedding anniversary of Leon and Mary Landrum by Susie Horr and Jennifer DiMichele.

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