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In-house and Live-stream Worship

April 28, 2024
10:00 a.m.
5th Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Gathering Music

Praise Band

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Opening Prayer with Dakota Koenig

We are welcomed into your presence this day by your gracious hospitality, O God. Grant that we will lay aside our cares and anxieties to concentrate our thoughts on you alone. Open us to the teaching and guidance for living which we receive, that we will be strengthened to walk with you and follow wherever you lead us. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Song of Welcome

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH 89, Vs. 1-4

Words: Henry Van Dyke

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

Adam Ferrara

***Children's Time** (and released to Sunday School)

Sharing the Word

Scripture with John Giard

[Psalm 22:25-31 and John 15:1-8](#) (NRSV)

Message

Growing Love

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Song of the Word

Bind Us Together FWS 2226, Vs. 1

Words and Music: Bob Gillman

Praise Band



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Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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.

Response to the Word

Special Music

In This Season

Words: Karen Crane

Music: Abby Lockaby

Chancel Choir

***Call to Offering and Action** with Dakota Koenig

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

Gracious God, as we offer our gifts today, we reflect on the wisdom in the words from John's gospel. In this imagery, we recognize our role as branches, connected to you, the source of our strength and vitality. Help us stay rooted in your love, producing fruit that brings glory to your name. May these gifts signify our commitment to abide in your teachings and work joyfully in response to your love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

Build Your Kingdom

Words and Music: Gareth Gilkeson and Chris Llewellyn

Praise Band

Benediction with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Postlude

(Reprise) Build Your Kingdom

Praise Band

Pastors: Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister and Assistant to the Clergy



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Announcements

An interpreter for the Deaf/and hard-of-hearing will be here on **Sunday, May 5, at the 10 a.m. service.** We are striving to ensure that God's Word is accessible to all. Please invite anyone you feel could benefit from this service.

The **Call to Offering and Action** highlights our response to God's love through our action, service and financial support. Each week we pray for a community partner, special project and/or people who are making a difference in our community and world. The United Methodist Church and this local congregation live our faith through our giving in many ways. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you.

Giving thanks for your Support and Contributions: You are essential to all we do for Vista and beyond. Please consider making a financial contribution to the ongoing work of this faith community. Your monetary gifts can be dropped in the offering box, put through the secure mail slot near the office or use your credit card at the Scrip table. Thank you!

On Mother's Day, May 12, we will be celebrating baptism! Contact the office by April 30, if you are interested in having your child/ren baptized. Pastor Leigh Ann will be meeting with families about baptism on May 5 following worship in the conference room near her office.

New Members Orientation will be Sunday, May 5 in the Chapel, following worship, with vows in service on May 19. Join us! Please call the church office, 760.726.0442, for any questions or for more information.

Corn Hole Tournament today following worship. Also, a package deal of a hot dog, chips and a drink will be sold for \$2.00. Thank you all for supporting this FUNdRaiser to help the church budget.

SPRC Update: Pastor Leigh Ann's last Sunday sermon will be on June 9th and her last official day with UMC Vista is June 30th. SPRC will host a luncheon immediately following the June 9th worship to celebrate and recognize the wonderful work this congregation has completed over the past nine years alongside Pastor Leigh Ann. Look for updates in the Spark on the luncheon and upcoming opportunities to meet and welcome Pastor Broghan in July. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Melissa Giard, SPRC chair via email - melissag@umcvista.org. We look forward to fellowship as we prepare for a new season of ministry.



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