

Covenant United Methodist Church

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**April 28, 2024
5th Sunday of Easter
Virtual and Indoor Worship Bulletin**



WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad that you chose to attend Covenant United Methodist Church today. We are a reconciling church and all are welcome. We hope three words describe your experience: engaging, inspiring, and transformational. Our goal is to create a warm and inviting environment where you'll feel welcome. If you have any questions, please contact our church office or speak to Pastor Dawn.

PRELUDE

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

arr. Mark Hayes

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Easter people, we have been saved by the Risen Christ, the life-giving Vine.

We abide in Love, the life-giving Vine.

We are branches of the Vine—sustained, nurtured, and pruned by Love.

We have no life apart from Love, the life-giving Vine.

When we make our home in the Vine, and the Vine makes a home in us, we bear the fruit of Love.

We produce the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine.

Easter people, how shall we bear the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine?

We will love and learn to love as we rest, play, work, and build community with God and one another. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, November 2023.

***OPENING HYMN** *Love Divine All Loves Excelling* UMH 384 BEECHER

PASSING THE PEACE

RECOGNITION OF OUR COVENANT UMC PRESCHOOL

Parent and Board Member – Emily Adesina

Directors – Liz McClure & Susan Keely

Video

SCRIPTURE

John 15:1-8

HYMN OF

PREPARATION *God the Sculptor of the Mountains vv 1,2,4* TFWS 2060

SERMON

“We Bear Fruit”

Pastor Dawn

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offertory

People Need the Lord

Nelson-Green/Purifoy

Doxology

UMH 95

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***CLOSING HYMN**

Christ is the World's Light

UMH 188

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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