

Beulah Presbyterian Church
May 2, 2021
5th Sunday of Easter

Call to Worship

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of God's name;
give to God glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Come, let us worship God. (adapted from Psalm 66)

Prayer of Confession

Healing God, you offer life and health and wholeness. We confess that too often we settle for strife and disease and brokenness. Forgive our lack of trust in your goodness and in your power to heal. Help us name all that infects and corrupts our relationships with You and with our neighbors. Wash us clean in the healing waters of your love, and let us walk in wholeness in the light and life of the Lord.

Assurance of Pardon

Family of God, hear the good news of the Gospel. Christ has not come to bind our mistakes and sins on us, but to loose the bonds and give us liberty. In Jesus' name I declare the forgiveness of sins and the life that is eternal. If Christ sets us free, then we are free indeed.

Peace

As Christ's forgiven and free people, we freely choose to be at peace with all people - enemies and friends, outcasts and leaders, foreigners and neighbors. Let Christ's peace open our hearts and homes and lives as we live in peace and pursue it.

All share a greeting of peace.

Hymn - I Love You, Lord

*I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you, O my soul, rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.*

Gospel Reading

John 5:2-9

Sermon - Rev. Dr. John Odom

"A Walk into Health"

Prayers of the People

Hymn – Take My Life

*Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.*

Benediction