***Worship Together on May 16, 2021***

***Servant Sunday***

Welcome & Gathering

Prelude

Invitation to Worship

L: This is the day that God has made.

**P: We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

L: Let us worship the One who turns our sorrow into joy.

**P: Our despair into hope.**

L: Our doubt into faith.

**P: Let us feel the wind of the Spirit refresh our lives.**

L: Come, let us worship.

SINGING I Come With Joy, UMH #617

Opening Prayer

**God, our source of light and life, you lead the way to courage, kindness, generosity, and love. You call us to be your people and to live in community with one another, always moving to a place of wholeness. God, your love makes us whole. Help us to receive your love with open hearts, so that we may become attuned to your will and way. We ask that you strengthen us as your people, gathered to praise and to serve you. Amen.**

Children’s Moments – Introducing our Confirmands

Scripture  **Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

15In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, 16“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— 17for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

21So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” 23So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. 24Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen 25to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” 26And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles. [[1]](#footnote-1)

Message Pastor Melinda Teter-Dodge

PRAYERS

INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER (W/ CONFESSION & ASSURANCE)

LORD’S PRAYER

Holy Communion

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Pie Jesu Andrew Lloyd Webber

Yuriko

Sharing the Life of the Church

- Offering Go to Local Churches

- Re-Opening @ Cal Heights

- Small Groups @ Cal Heights

- Groundlings @ LA/BH

- The Out @ LA

RECORDED SINGING Here I Am, Lord UMH #593

Benediction:

Go forth into the world, refreshed by the truth you have received from Christ and renewed by the knowledge that you belong to God. Go forth as witnesses to the love and life of Christ.

Postlude Prelude & Fugue in C Major J.S. Bach

 Dr. Jim Petri

1. [*The Holy Bible: New Revised Standard Version*](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ac1.15&off=0&ctx=l+as+his+brothers.+%0a~15%C2%A0%E2%80%A2In+those+days+Pe). (1989). (Ac 1:15–26). Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)