# Radio Bulletin May 9, 2021

Welcome & Sharing the Life of the Church Prelude / Light Altar Candles & Procession of Leaders Prayer of Invitation

#### Call to Worship:

Call: God is love. We are created in God's image to reflect and share that love.

Response: We celebrate human love as a gift. We are given families, friends, and communities in which to receive and nurture love for one another.

Call: On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for our mothers who gave us the gift of life.

Response: We give thanks for all the women who have loved and shaped us, comforted, and encouraged us, taught us, and believed in us.

Call: We ask your blessing upon these women, O Lord. May your love strengthen and support them each day.

Response: Grant them your grace and wisdom.

Call: Anoint them with your presence and peace.

Response: Thank you for your love and for family and friends with whom we share that love, Amen.

## Hymn of Praise: "Jesus Is All the World to Me" p.469

WORDS: Will L. Thompson, 1904

1. Jesus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all; he is my strength from day to day, without him I would fall. When I am sad, to him I

go,

no other one can cheer

me so:

when I am sad, he makes me glad, he's my friend.

2. Jesus is all the world

to me,

my friend in trials sore;

I go to him

for blessings, and

he gives them o'er and

o'er.

He sends the sunshine

and the rain.

he sends the harvest's

golden grain;

sunshine and rain, harvest of grain, he's my friend.

3. Jesus is all

the world to me, and true to him I'll be;

O how could I this friend

when he's so true to me?

Following him I know I'm right, he watches o'er me

day and night;

following him by day and night, he's my friend.

4. Jesus is all the world

to me,

I want no better friend;

I trust him now, I'll trust him when life's fleeting

days shall end. **Beautiful life** 

with such a friend, beautiful life

that has no end;

eternal life, eternal joy,

he's my friend

### **Prayer of the Congregation:**

Gracious God, in your eternal and divine wisdom you made us for relationship, and we celebrate the people you have brought into our lives, especially our mothers. For all those who teach us in the ways of faithfulness, we praise you. For those who inspire us to be generous, just and kind, we thank you. For those who nurture our relationship with you, we rejoice. And, for those who disappoint us, we ask for grace to be compassionate and forgiving. In all our relationships may we live the truth of your love for us which knows no bounds. Amen.

Concerns & Celebrations & Lord's Young Disciples' Time (Noisy Offering on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays) Tithes & Offerings/ Offertory/ *Doxology* UMH # 95

Hymn of Preparation: "Jesus Loves Me This I Know"

1. Jesus loves me!
This I know,
for the Bible
tells me so.
Little ones
to him belong;
they are weak, but
he is strong.

(Refrain)

2. Jesus loves me!
This I know,
as he loved
so long ago,
taking children
on his knee,
saying, "Let them
come to me."
(Refrain)

3. Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. (Refrain)

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

#### **Gospel: John 15:9-17**

9 "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup> My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup> I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. <sup>17</sup> This is my command: Love each other.

**The Spoken Word:** Elizabeth Rosberg, Amanda McMillan, & Shannon Worrell Holy Communion (8:30 Only)

# Hymn of Commitment: "Near to the Heart of God" p.472

words: Cleland B. McAfee, 1903

1. There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God; a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God. (Refrain)

2. There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God; a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God. (Refrain) 3. There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God; a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God. (Refrain)

Benediction