

**LEWISTOWN-TRINITY UNITED METHODSIT CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**MAY 24, 2020 – The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Ascension Sunday – 10:00 A.M.**

**GATHERING MUSIC – 9:45** - Jenny Claybaugh - Musician

**WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS - OPENING PRAYER** - Pastor Debbie Ketcham

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** - Andy Wildermuth - Liturgist

Leader: Give thanks to our ascended Lord this holy day.

People: **We celebrate the wondrous news of Jesus' Ascension.**

Leader: We celebrate anew the hope and joyous promise of new life we have now, and later when we live in the holy presence of our Lord.

People: **We celebrate Jesus with thanksgiving, praise, and adoration.**

One: The risen Christ lives among us, calling us to be a blessing,

All: **Calling us to be disciples to the world, blessed, healed, and filled with joyous good news!**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (#154)**

1. **All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.**
2. **Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.**
3. **O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting songs, and crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting songs, and crown him Lord of all.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER - No matter the situation, no matter the problem, no matter the trouble, God is always with us. God is always ready and willing to receive us, redeem us, renew us, restore us, refresh us and rebirth us now and always! Awesome God, your steadfast love endures forever. As we celebrate the end of the Easter Season, remind us that our lives can and will be totally transformed, by your amazing love, grace, and presence. As you ascended to heaven, we can't wait to join you, one day, in the heavenly realm; it's in our risen Lord's name we pray. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 1:1-11 - This is God's Holy Word! Praise God!**

**JOYS & CONCERNS – Jason Brunson**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER - *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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.***

## **WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

Please prayerfully consider your gifts to the Lord.

These may be mailed to Richie Shaner, 5106 Co Rd. 39, Huntsville, OH 43324.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER – Lord God, who has given to us so many gifts, your generosity is sometimes more than we can comprehend. We praise you for all your loving gifts. Now we bring our gifts to you. May these gifts we bring, and our lives, be dedicated by you for service and ministry. May all that we do show the world your great love for all humankind; in Christ’s name we pray. Amen**

**\*HYMN – Leaning On the Everlasting Arms (#133)**

1. **What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Refrain: Lean - - ing, lean - - ing, safe and secure from all alarms, lean - - ing, lean - - ing leaning on the everlasting arms.**

2. **O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain.)**
3. **What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain.)**

**SCRIPTURE – Psalm 23 – New Standard Revised Version (NSRV)**

**MESSAGE - . . . You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows . . .**

**\*CLOSING HYMN – Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#140)**

1. **Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

**Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**

2. **Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain.)**
3. **Pardon for sin and peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain.)**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**You are invited to remain on the Zoom, following the service to greet each other!**

**See you next week!**