

**UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Third Sunday after Easter | May 3, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



**Order of Worship - Streaming Service**

**WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**Gathering Music**

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*  
Beverly Babcock - Organ

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**Welcome Message**

**Call to Worship**

**Leader:** When we are sad,  
**All:** **You come.**  
**Leader:** When our hopes are dashed,  
**All:** **You listen.**  
**Leader:** When disappointment reigns supreme,  
**All:** **You walk with us.**  
**Leader:** Even when we cannot find you anywhere,  
**All:** **You are still here.**  
**Leader:** And you continue showing up, listening, and accompanying us  
**All:** **Until we can recognize your presence and begin to hope again.**



Verse 3    See, the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia!  
              Yet he loves the earth he leaves, Alleluia!  
              Though returning to his throne, Alleluia!  
              Still he calls the world his own, Alleluia!

Verse 4    See, He lifts his hands above, Alleluia!  
              See, He shows the prints of love, Alleluia!  
              Hark! His gracious lips bestow, Alleluia!  
              Blessings on his Church below, Alleluia!



**Opening Prayer**

Risen Christ,  
You came to the disciples in the midst of their everyday lives,  
as they were walking and talking about  
the heaviness of their hearts and as they shared in a meal together.  
May we recognize you in the midst of our everyday lives,  
In our walking and talking and eating,  
And find comfort and hope in your presence.  
Amen.

**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,  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Prayer of Illumination

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.  
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.



### Scripture

### Luke 24: 13-35

NRSV

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad.<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth,<sup>[c]</sup> who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.<sup>[d]</sup> Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah<sup>[e]</sup> should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us<sup>[f]</sup> while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the

eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**Leader:** This is the Word of God for the People of God.     **All:** Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Pastor Michelle Mejia

## Prayers



## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Giving of our Gifts** \*If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

**Music Ministry** Millicent Scarlett - soprano

## Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



Verse 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:      Leaning, leaning  
                    Safe and secure from all alarms  
                    Leaning, leaning  
                    Leaning on the everlasting arms

Verse 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:      Leaning, leaning  
                    Safe and secure from all alarms  
                    Leaning, leaning  
                    Leaning on the everlasting arms



Love Feast

Passing of the Peace

Blessing

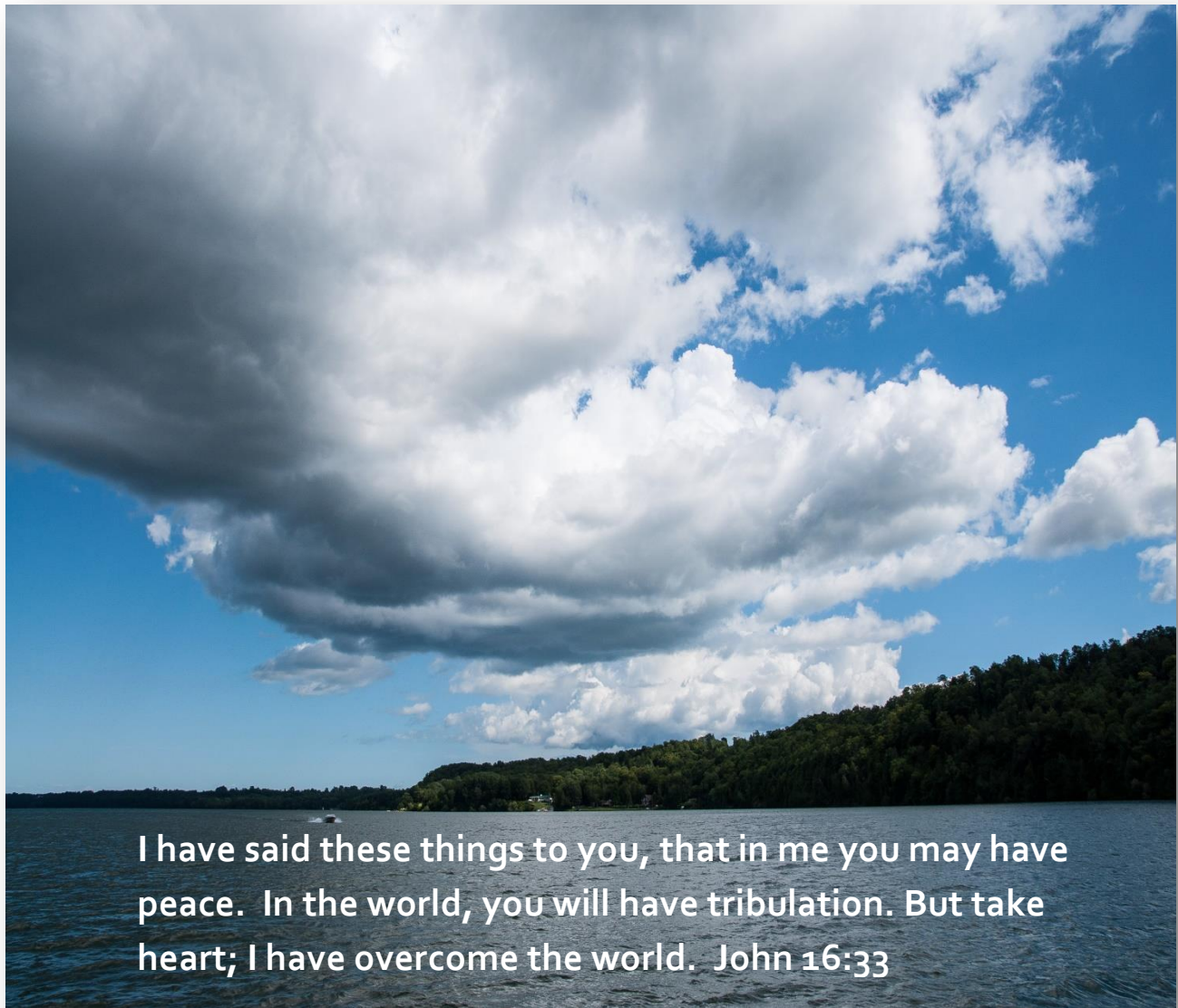
Postlude

*Shalom to You*  
Beverly Babcock – Organ

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Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:  
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# *Favorite Scripture*



I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world, you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. John 16:33

*Janis Pressley shares that John 16:33 is her favorite scripture and was given to her at a women's retreat. Janis says, "It seemed to reflect my life and gave me hope then and now."*





## Announcements – May 3, 2020

**HOMEMADE MASKS NEEDED** If you are willing and able to make masks for essential workers, *Route One Mask Match* needs your skills! They will provide materials and will pick up the masks (in a safe manner) from your home. Please contact the church office for more information.

**THE UPPER ROOM** If you would like to receive a copy of the daily devotion magazine for May-June, please write to the church office. [office@uumcp.org](mailto:office@uumcp.org)

**YOUR OFFERING** It is possible to have your offering sent from your bank directly to our church. You set this up through your own bank; you do not need to share account information with the church.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYERS** Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. The phone number will be emailed to you prior to the meeting time. If you attempted to join us last week, but had difficulties, please contact the church office. [office@uumcp.org](mailto:office@uumcp.org)

**HELP OFFER** If you need help with anything – prayers, getting food or medicine, rides to a doctor, or... Please let the church office know. We will do our best to help you!

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