



## Order of Worship - April 30, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Welcome! We are glad you are worshiping with us today! We invite you to mask or unmask, as you are most comfortable.*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Choral Call to Worship**

Aldersgate Choir

**\*Opening Litany**

Worship Leader: Allendra Letsome

**I know that some friends have left have you high and dry  
And meeting challenges have left you petrified  
But as long as you still have life and breath  
You still have something to do for the Savior  
Keep living, through this, because after this is the VICTORY!**

**\*Hymn**

*My Tribute*

UMH #99

**Storytime with Children** *(Following this, children ages 5 - 10 may leave for Sunday school.)*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Guiding God, send your Holy Spirit upon the reading of your Word  
that it may serve to show us the path of life  
and lead us into your presence where there is fullness of joy. Amen.**

**Scripture Reading**

John 11:17-27; 32-44

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For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

UMH #526

**Sermon**

*Keep Living*

Reverend Kent

**Call to Prayer**

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

TFWS #2200

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord's Prayer**

UMH #895

**Offering**

Financial offerings can be placed in the offering box in the back, the basket in the front, before or after the service, mailed to the church office, made online at [www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving](http://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving), or by texting an amount you want to give to: 301-364-9236

**Music Ministry**

*It is Well*  
Aldersgate Choir

by John Ness Beck

**\*Doxology**

\*We rise in body or spirit.

UMH #95

# Mission Moment - Blessing and Sending of Reverend Kent Roberson

## Opportunities to Serve

\*Hymn

To God Be the Glory

UMH #98

\*Benediction

Postlude

Liturgy Prayer from the song Keep Living by Ricky Dillard

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today** How bittersweet it is to announce that today is Reverend Kent's last week with us. Although we will sorely miss him, we share his excitement that he is graduating. Congratulations, Reverend Kent!! Please plan on staying for our celebratory potluck lunch following worship today.

**UUMC Bell Ringers** On Pentecost Sunday, June 4, our bell ringers will play during worship. If you would like to be part of this, you may! The only requirement is that you are able to play that day, as well as stay after church for rehearsals each week, beginning on May 7.

**Memorial Service** You are invited to join Collin and Jenna Mueller at the Death and Resurrection service for their son, Caleb. It will be held here on May 6 at 11 a.m. Following the service, you may join the family at their University Park home for a tree planting ceremony and lunch. Please kindly note that both the service and lunch will be for adults only. The family appreciates your understanding.

**Pride March** The Capital UMC Pride is a connectional group of UM congregations and faith communities from the metropolitan Washington DC area. They are inviting church groups to join together with them to be a presence in the parade which is on Saturday June 10, 2023. If you are interested in being in the parade with the group, please let the church office know as soon as possible. office@uumcp.org

**Table Talk** *What is this?* In May and June, we are offering three evenings of food and conversation. *Why?* To offer opportunities for our church family to connect, build relationships by getting to know each other better! *When?* Thursday evenings: May 11, May 25, and June 8, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Child care will be provided after the meals. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

**Spice Drive** UUMC is donating specific spices to the UMD Food Pantry each month. In May we will collect turmeric.

### For Your Calendar

- May 7 Communion
- Bell Ringers' Rehearsal - Performance on June 4
- May 8 Leadership Board Meeting on Zoom, 6:30 p.m.
- May 11 Table Talk 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- May 14 Children's Sunday School
- Bell Ringers' Rehearsal
- May 25 Table Talk 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship

Wednesday Zoom Prayer Call, 12:00 p.m.

Thursday Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.

Send Prayer Requests: office@uumcp.org

For more info and other events, visit [www.uumcp.org](http://www.uumcp.org) or follow us on Facebook!

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