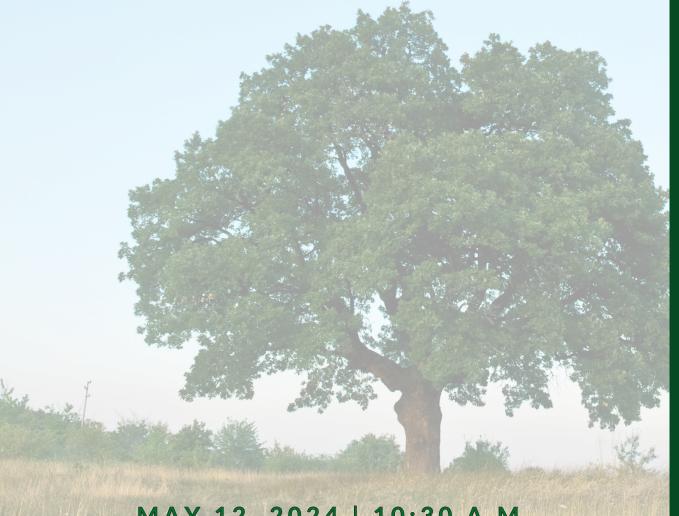


First United Methodist Church of Orange

WALKIN THELIGHT

A SERIES FROM 1 JOHN



MAY 12, 2024 | 10:30 A.M.

THE ENTRY

PRELUDE

INTROIT Sing and Rejoice Sanctuary Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Come worship the Lord Jesus Christ, who is our shepherd.

PEOPLE: He lays down his life for his sheep.

LEADER: Come worship the living God, who illumines our way.

PEOPLE: God knows us, and we belong to him.

LEADER: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

PEOPLE: The Lord redeems the life of his servants!

*OPENING HYMN

God of the Sparrow God of the Whale

Hymnal #122

1. God of the sparrow

God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say Awe How does the creature say Praise

2. God of the earthquake

God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast

How does the creature cry Woe How does the creature cry Save

3. God the rainbow

God of the cross

God of the empty grave

How does the creature say Grace

How does the creature say Thanks

4. God of the hungry

God of the sick

God of the prodigal

How does the creature say Care

How does the creature say Life

- 5. God of the neighborGod of the foeGod of the pruning hookHow does the creature say LoveHow does the creature say Peace
- 6. God of the ages
 God near at hand
 God of the loving heart
 How do your children say Joy
 How do your children say Home

*PRAYER

Jesus, our risen Christ,
Be known to us in our lives and in our worship,
and help us recognize and celebrate your presence.

Grant us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may faithfully fulfill your call to discipleship and bring your message of love to the world. In your Holy name we pray. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to God, the Father. Glory be to God, the Son. Glory be to God, the Spirit, Three in One.

As it was in the beginning; as it is and ever shall be; now and evermore shall be; world without end, Amen! World without end, Amen!

*GREETING

CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE SONG

Thy Word is a Lamp

Hymnal #601 (refrain)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

FIRST LESSON

1 John 5:1-13

New Revised Standard Version

5 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. **2** By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love

God and obey his commandments. 3 For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, 4 for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. 5 Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. 7 There are three that testify: 8 the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. 9 If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. 10 Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. 11 And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 1 Hymnal #738

Leader: Blessed are those

who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;

PEOPLE: or stand in the way of sinners,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

LEADER: but their delight is in the law of the Lord,

PEOPLE: and on God's law they meditate day and night.

Leader: They are like trees

planted by streams of water that yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

PEOPLE: In all that they do, they prosper.

LEADER: They wicked are not so,

but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

PEOPLE: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment;

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

LEADER: for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

PEOPLE: but the way of the wicked shall perish.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 17:6-19

New Revised Standard Version

[Jesus continued,] 6 "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 for the words that you gave to me I

have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. 10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. 11 And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13 But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. 14 I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 15 I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. 16 They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

ANTHEM With a Voice of Singing – Shaw Sanctuary Choir

SERMON God Has a Testimony, Too Rev. William Johnson

RESPONSE

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See Hymnal #468 (vs. 1)

Dear Jesus, in whose life I see all that I would, but fail to be, let thy clear light forever shine, to shame and guide this life of mine.

LITANY FOR EASTER PEOPLE

Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.

How will you share God's love with the world?

By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

Because we belong to Christ we will share Christ's love, in our homes, With our families and everywhere we go.

COMMUNITY PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Hymnal #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Happy the Home When God Is There

Hymnal #445

- Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every breast; when one their wish, and one their prayer, and one their heavenly rest.
- 2. Happy the home where Jesus' name is sweet to every ear; where children early speak his fame, and parents hold him dear.
- 3. Happy the home where prayer is heard, and praise is wont to rise; where parents love the sacred Word and all its wisdom prize.

4. Lord, let us in our homes agree this blessed peace to gain; unite our hearts in love to thee, and love to all will reign.

SENDING FORTH

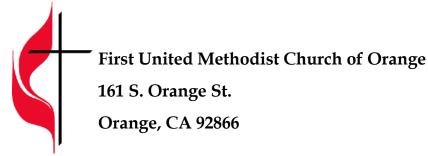
*BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*CHORAL RESPONSE

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back, may the sun shine warmly on your face.

May the rain fall softly on your home and until we meet again, until we meet again May God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE



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