Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

**We Gather**

**Musical Prelude** … Frederick Bolden

**Scripture** … Psalm 145: 14-16 … Brooke Stephens *The Lord upholds all who fall
    and lifts up all who are bowed down.****15****The eyes of all look to you,
    and you give them their food at the proper time.****16****You open your hand
    and satisfy the desires of every living thing.*

 **Greetings/Call to Worship** … Lisa Robinson

*On this second Sunday after Easter, we worship together knowing that the season of hope has not ended but continues in our actions towards one another. Though Easter Sunday has come and gone, we worship believing that love is resurrected within us each time engage with others. O Lord, thank you, Hallelujah, and AMEN.*

**Blessed Break** *(Let us greet one another in the name of Jesus)*

**We Call Upon the Lord**

**Congregational Hymn** … Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us …#387 (Blue)

**Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us**

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need Thy tender care;
in Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use Thy folds prepare:

(2x) Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are…

Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse and pow'r to free:

(2x) Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to Thee…

Early let us seek Thy favor,
Early let us do Thy will
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
with Thy love our bosoms fill

(2x) Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still

**Prayers of the People** … Rev. Dusty Fiedler

**The Lord’s Prayer**… *Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, the kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN.*

**Gloria Patri** … Kimari Spangler

**We Share God’s Word**

**Scripture Reading** … Acts 3: 1-10 (back of bulletin)

**Acts 3: 1-10**

*One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon.****2****Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts.****3****When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money****. 4****Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!”****5****So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.*

***6****Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”****7****Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong.****8****He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and leaping, and praising God.****9****When all the people saw him walking and praising God,****10****they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.*

**Reflect in Music** … Avery Bolden

**Sermon** … *Inside Out* … Rev. Vernie L. Bolden, Jr

**We Respond**

**Respond in Song** … Janie Bolden

**Celebration of Giving**

**Giving Prayer** … Brooke Stephens

O Lord, remind us that the blessings of your hope and possibility do not belong to us alone, but have been freely given to all your people, regardless of their perceived station or place. As we give our tithes and offerings to you, we ask that every amount be invested in the furthering of this truth in our communities. AMEN

**Affirm Our Faith** (1 Corinthians 13) … Rev. Ellen Woodworth *If I speak in the tongues of humanity or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.****2****If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.****3****If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.* ***4****Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.****5****It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.****6****Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.****7****It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres…* ***13****And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.*

**Sounds of Joy** … Joe Wilson

**We Tell the Good News**

**Benediction** … Rev. Vernie L. Bolden, Jr

**Step Out in Song** … Joyce Bolden

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**We count it a joy that you shared with us today!**

**May the Lord bless you and keep you,**

**May the face of the Lord shine upon you and be gracious to you,**

**May the Lord turn to you and give you peace…**

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