WESTWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



May 15, 2022 10:00 AM

fifth sunday of easter

PRELUDE  "Siciliano," J S. Bach

WELCOME

CENTERING VIDEO

CALL TO WORSHIP

How wondrous! A new heaven and a new earth!

**The old, bruised and angered, fearful and alienated, will pass away**

In its place God will offer new hope and peace

**God will dwell with God’s people forevermore.**

Worship the Lord who is about to do a new thing.

**Praise God who establishes God’s reign in the heart of God’s people. AMEN.**

SONG

 “Help Us Accept Each Other”

 UMH 560

 OPENING PRAYER

**Gracious and Loving God, we are grateful that you have called us together this day, drawing us from darkness to the glory of your light. May our spirits rejoice at the good news you have for us today. Open our hearts to your healing love, for we ask this in Christ’s Name. AMEN.**

 PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ is with you. **And also with you.** Let us wave to one another as a sign of passing that peace to others.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Psalm 148 (Read responsively)

Acts 11:1-18

This is a Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

MUSICAL PROCLAMATION

*"Lead Me, Lord,"*

*Samuel S. Wesley*

**SERMON**

“What God Called Clean”

Pastor Wayne



OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Loving God, as your Holy Word reveals, your gift of grace is offered to all of your children. You wait expectantly to hear our response. In this hushed moment, we respond by offering financial gifts. We respond by praising your name in prayer. We respond by singing, “Glory be to God!” Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER “Come and Fill our Hearts”

 FWS 2157

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

**SONG**

“Spirit Song”

UMH 347

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE  "Rigaudon," Andre Campra

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