

# 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2016 ♦ 11:00 a.m. Worship

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## GATHERING

### Welcome

\***Hymn #557** (vs. 1 & 2)

*Blessed Be The Tie That Binds*

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: I tell you this: It is a wonderful thing when members of the family live together in love and peace.

**People: They shall be like trees planted beside flowing rivers.**

Leader: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

**People: Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.**

Leader: By this everyone will know that you are my disciples,

**People: If you have love for one another.**

Leader: Come, let us draw near the Source of all Love, our Savior and God!

### Opening Prayer

## PROCLAMATION

### Happily Ever After

## RESPONSE

\***Affirmation of Faith #881** – The Apostles' Creed

### Prayers of the People

*The Pastor will lift up a series of petitions. After each petition:*

Leader: Lord in your mercy

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

### Invitation

### Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

\***Passing the Peace**

**Offering & Offertory** *What A Friend We Have in Jesus*  
Men's Ensemble

\***Doxology** (UMH #95)

## THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

\***The Great Thanksgiving** (UMH, pg. 17, Setting A)

\***The Lord's Prayer**

### Sharing of the Bread & Cup

**Hymn #618**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

**Prayer After Receiving** (UMH, pg. 11)

## SENDING FORTH

\***Hymn #547** (vs. 1 & 4)

*O Church of God, United*

\***Benediction**

\***Postlude**

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*\*For those who are able, please stand*