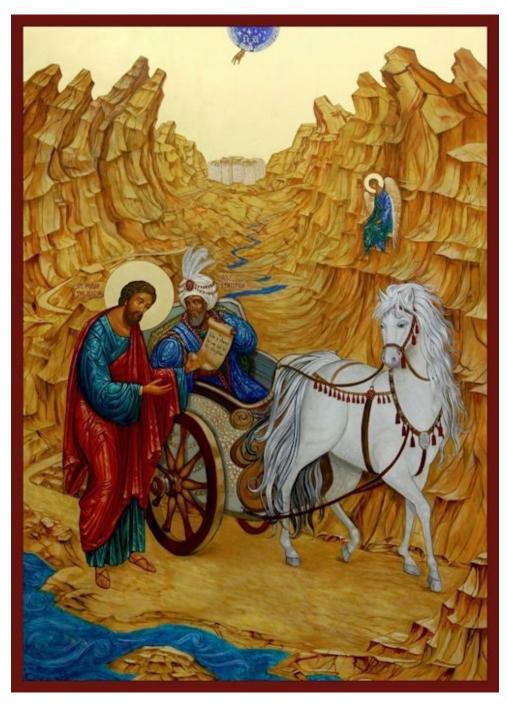


# Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



"Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on your journey of faith, you are loved by God and welcome here."

# April 28, 2023 - 10:30 am Fifth Sunday in Easter "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

### Welcome

### **Prelude**

# \*Invitation to Worship

Leader: Let us call upon the Lord, for we are His people!

All: Let us call upon the Lord, who invites us to bring our every concern to Him. For this we praise the Lord.

Leader: Let us call upon the Lord, who promises to hear and to respond when we offer our prayers to Him.

All: For this we praise the Lord! Amen.

\*Hymn

To God Be the Glory UMH 98

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

# **Opening Prayer** (unison)

Loving God, forgive us for failing to glorify you by failing to show love to our brothers and sisters. As we hear your Word proclaimed today, open our minds and our hearts to the fullness of your love for all of us. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**Psalm of the Day** (responsive) Psalm 22:25-31 UMH 753

Reading the Word 1 John 4:7-21

Acts 8:26-40

### Response

<u>Leader</u>: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God!

**Meditation** 

"No Respect for the Rules"

**Hymn** 

Lord, I Want to be a Christian UMH 402

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings** 

**The Offertory** 

\*Doxology

**UMH 94** 

The Prayers of the People Our Joys and Concerns

**Prayer** 

**The Lord's Prayer** 

**Announcements** 

May 12 - Festival of the Christian Home

May 19 - Pentecost Sunday

**The Sending Song** Love Divine, All Loves Exceeding **UMH 384** 

\*Blessing

**Postlude** 

\* Please stand

Rev. Pam Meese, Pastor Mr. Dave Wilson, Liturgist Ms. Janice Nations, Music Director

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