

**Sewickley United Methodist Church**  
**April 28, 2024**



**Order of Worship  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

PRELUDE ..... "Meditation 100"  
Paul F Page ..... Erik Kolodziej

BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Show us your ways, O Lord.

**People: Teach us your paths.**

Leader: Guide us in your truth,

**People: And teach us.**

Leader: For you are God, our Savior,

**People: And our hope is in you all day long.**

\*OPENING HYMN ..... "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"  
Martin Luther and Frederick H Hedge ..... No. 110 (v 1, 2 & 4)

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON ..... Psalm 18:1-6

<sup>1</sup> I love you, LORD; you are my strength. <sup>2</sup> The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety. <sup>3</sup> I called on the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and he saved me from my enemies. <sup>4</sup> The ropes of death entangled me; floods of destruction swept over me. <sup>5</sup> The grave wrapped its ropes around me; death laid a trap in my path. <sup>6</sup> But in my distress, I cried out to the LORD; yes, I prayed to my God for help. He heard me from his sanctuary; my cry to him reached his ears.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God;

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*Please stand in body or in Spirit

\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD..... "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"  
Thomas A Dorsey ..... No. 474 (v 1, 2, & 3)

1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:

*Refrain: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

2. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone,  
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall: *(Refrain)*

3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone,  
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: *(Refrain)*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY ..... "Love Has Broken Down the Wall"  
Mark Miller ..... Felicity Johnston, Kara Wayne, Melchizedek Amago and Chad Wolfe

\*DOXOLOGY..... No. 95

\*PASTORAL PRAYER

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER

MESSAGE..... "Jesus: My Savior"

\*PARTING HYMN..... "Trust and Obey"  
John H Sammis and Daniel B Towner ..... No. 467 (v 1, 3 & 4)

1. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

*Refrain: Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

3. But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay;  
for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.

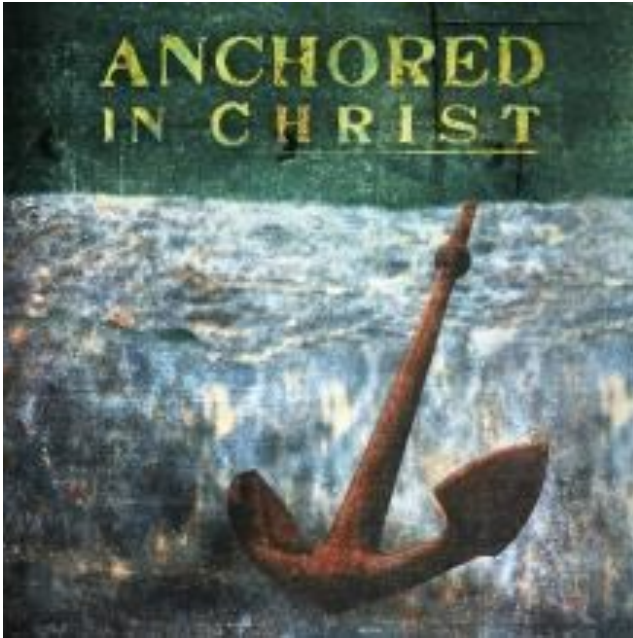
*(Refrain)*

4. Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way;  
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey.

*(Refrain)*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE ..... "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"  
J S Bach ..... Erik Kolodziej



CHRIST . . .

strengthens,  
supports,  
encourages,  
empowers.



*The LORD is my strength  
and my shield.*

*Psalm 28:7*

Jesus: My Strength  
Jesus: My Anchor  
Jesus: My Savior

**TODAYS WORSHIP LEADERS**

PASTOR.....	Rev. Hannah M. Loughman
LITURGIST.....	Jere Cowden
MUSIC.....	Erik Kolodziej
MUSICAL QUARTET .....	Felicity Johnston, Kara Wayne, Melchizedek Amago and Chad Wolfe
CS WORSHIP COORDINATOR .....	Kelly Herman
A/V.....	Andrew and Ben Ward
NURSERY .....	Kim Benjamin and Sharon Cowell
CHILDREN'S CHURCH .....	Kim Benjamin and Kandice Kramer
USHERS .....	Debbie and Joe Consoli