

Prelude He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (arr. J. Trivette) Gaye Herndon, organ

Welcome

Announcements

FOOD ON THE FLY: The menu for this Wednesday is Baked Spaghetti. Pick up time is 4:30-5:30 p.m. in our parking lot – you don't even need to leave your car. Sign up for your meal <u>here</u> by Tuesday, April 28.

THANKS for your continued support of needs for Elder Care Services and the wonderful way you have provided. Thanks especially to New Horizons Sunday School that also purchased several microwave ovens for those receiving frozen Meals on Wheels deliveries.

EARTH DAY – This week we observed the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day, and today we recognize that in our service. Here is one way you can engage the observation of this day. Tallahassee Green Faith Alliance will host a Pray-In for the Earth this Sunday at 4:00 pm to have some intentional and meaningful prayer and reflection time. Use the <u>Facebook link</u> to register for the event and receive the ZOOM link.

PRAYER GATHERING - Starting this Sunday we are beginning a Prayer Gathering at 6:30pm online via Zoom. We will pray for one another, and for those on the prayer list. Anyone may attend, and everyone is welcome. There is also an option to call in by phone if you do not have access to the Zoom application. You can get the Zoom login details in one of two ways: You can join the Facebook Group "Prayer @ Saint Pauls United Methodist Church" or by following this <u>link</u> and completing a form so that details can be sent to you via email.

Opening Hymn I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Creed

We believe and trust in God, all-powerful Creator and Sustainer - who fashions the heavens and the earth and all that is in them - who gazes on his handiwork in love, pronouncing it 'very good' - who calls us to partnership in caring for his world - who provides in generous abundance all that is needed for the whole of creation to thrive –

We believe and trust in Jesus Christ - who shared with his father the wonder and promise of creation- who was born like us, choosing to share our humanity with its joy and its pain - who lived an earthly life, affirming and celebrating the goodness of the physical world - who used the natural world to teach us more of God's nature - - who died and came back to life to show us that in sacrifice lie the seeds of freedom and hope - who returned home to his father – his earthly work complete

We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit - who danced in the darkness at the dawn of time to bring light and life - who breathes life and purpose into all living things - who inspires and guides all people of God throughout the ages - who opens our eyes to injustice and points us truthwards - who calls us to join in the work of sustaining and renewing the earth - who transforms our hearts and minds, empowering us to be faithful stewards - who will lead us home at the end of our age.

We commit ourselves to live day by day in the light of these beliefs, cherishing the earth and laboring for its healing and renewal, in loving obedience to God, following the example of Jesus Christ, and seeking the help of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Children's sermon

Scripture	Psalm 8
Sermon	Our Genesis Challenge
Offering	Video about Creation Care
Closing Hymn	This is My Father's World

Closing Prayer

May the blessing of God, Creator of heaven and Earth, rest upon us and upon all that God has made; May the Risen Christ Jesus transform our life and our vision, so that we may live in reconciliation with all things; and May the power of God's Holy Spirit move over this whole Earth, like the breath of Spring, to renew the Earth and all its people, so that all creation may join together in praise to God's holy name! Amen.

Postlude Postlude on 'Forest Green'