

Order of Worship
Sunday, May 9, 2021
9:30 a.m. Online

Prelude and Lighting of Candles *In Christ Alone* (arr. L. Schackley)
Gaye Herndon, pianist

Welcome Rev. Becky Rokitowski

Opening Prayer

**Gracious God, we are called together by your extravagant love.
Long before we knew You, You already knew us.
What amazing love You have shown to us!
And so we come with praise and thanksgiving,
offering the worship of our hearts and lives,
and opening ourselves to Your Holy Spirit.
May our time in Your presence bring glory and honor to Your name. Amen.**

Opening Hymn *Seek Ye First* (UMH 405)

Affirmation of Faith *Affirmation from Romans 8:35; 37-39* (UMH 887)

Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Becky Rokitowski

Children's Chat

Anthem *You Are Mine* (arr. M. Hayes)
Jake Alexander, soloist

Scripture 1 John 4:7-12

Sermon *Responses to the Resurrection: So What?*
Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks

Closing Hymn *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* (UMH 402, vs. 1, 2, 4)

Closing Prayer

**May the peace of God enfold us,
The wisdom of God guide us,
The love of God inspire us to love others
with the uncontainable wildness of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Postlude *How Firm a Foundation* (arr. A.L. Page)
Gaye Herndon, organ