

Order of Worship: Sunday, May 1, 2022

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Prelude	<i>Simple Gifts</i> (arr. M. Hayes)	Gaye Herndon, piano
Welcome		Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks
Call to Worship	Lord of joy and mercy, be with us this day as we seek your voice and your guidance. Remove the obstacles that block our commitment and help us to truly be your disciples; for we ask this in Christ's Name. AMEN.	
Opening Hymn	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i> (UMH 189)	
Affirmation of Faith	Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada	
Gloria Patri		
Prayer/Lord's Prayer		Rev. Becky Rokitowski
Anthem	<i>Psalm 139</i> (A. Pote) Youth Choir	
Children's Chat		
Scripture	Esther 4:1-17	
Sermon	COURAGE for Justice	Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks
Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Closing Hymn	<i>What Does the Lord Require of You?</i>	
Closing Prayer	We have been strengthened at the table to step out in faith. Jesus will guide our steps along the way, Teaching us to walk humbly, to love boldly, to serve God with body, soul, mind, and strength. Let us pray for the humility and courage To follow where the Spirit leads. Amen.	
Postlude	<i>Fantasy on 'Holy Manna'</i> (J. Carter)	