

Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Fifth Sunday after Easter

9:30 am - May 14, 2017

We Gather Together

Prelude

Welcome

Call To Worship

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

All: **His steadfast love endures forever!**

Children's Gift of Music

Children's Blessing

Responsive Prayer, Peggy Emerson

Mothers come in many different forms, and today we celebrate them all!

Thank You God for mothers!

Everyone here is either a son or a daughter.

Thank You God for my mother!

For those women who have joined God in Heaven and whom we miss dearly here on earth.

Thank You God for the mothers of the past.

For every woman who is working day and night to raise her children right now.

Thank You God for the mothers of today.

For all the women who are expecting, but aren't quite mothers yet!

Thank You God for the soon-to-be-mothers.

For the women who took in others' children through adoption and foster care.

Thank You God for the mothers with hearts so big.

For those women who have lost a child to death and must carry on.

Psalm 118

Be Happy

Thank You God for the mothers who are so strong.

For all the women who have desperately wanted to have children of their own, but chose instead to mother everyone else.

Thank You God for the mothers in spirit.

Prayers of The People

We thank you, Lord, for the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways. We pray that we will honor them in everything we do.

Amen.

Choral Anthem

Naming of Mom's

One Family in Christ

Receiving the Word

Gospel

John 14:15-21

Witness and Praise TFWS #2255

Wonderful Words of Life

Message

Witnessing

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

We Respond to the Word

Anthem with Congregation

Love Grows Here

Yes, Love grows here, and all of us can share

The wonder and joy that it can bring

For God is near, teaching us to care,

And showing our hearts how to sing

Offering Gifts to God and the World

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology #64

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Go Forth Into the World

*Hymn #557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

*Benediction

Postlude

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**Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*