**“My house shall be called**

 **a house of prayer for all peoples”**

Isaiah 56:7

**Thank you for coming to worship today!**

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**April Birthdays**

We wish all those celebrating this month

a Happy and Blessed Birthday!



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**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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**McKnight United Methodist Church**

Rev. Rebecca Konegen

April 21, 2024

9:30am

**Our Purpose**

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the

transformation of the world.

**Our Mission**

Love God, Love All People, Impact the World

**Our Vision**

We will be a growing community in Christ,

spreading the word of God by reaching out

to all people in an accepting,

supporting and loving way.

**\*** Indicates to please stand in body or spirit.

**PRELUDE “**Pastorale” by BurgmüllerMusic by Alex Sun

**OPENING PSALM** Psalm 23

**OPENING PRAYER**

**People: Living Word, whose love abides in us,**

**You call us to love**

**in truth and action.**

**Give courage to our hearts**

**so we may love your beloveds.**

**Open our ears to the wisdom**

**of those you send,**

**who might otherwise be dismissed.**

**Transform our charity into justice**

**over all the earth. Amen.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: How shall we live when we have more than enough?

**People: We have no greater praise to offer**

**Than caring for your creatures and Creation.**

Leader: The earth is our teacher—nurturing and tender.

**People: In this hour, O God, nourish us in the soil of your love.**

Leader: Let us worship God, the Ground of all Being.

 *Written by Rev. Paul Mitchell, Walla Walla, WA (ancestral homelands of the Cayuse, Umatilla, Palus, and Walla Walla), senior pastor of Pioneer United Methodist Church.*

**\* OPENING HYMN “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

 **(verses 1-5) UMH No. 57**

 **GOSPEL READING** John 10:11-18

 **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Savior God, you guide us, but we are slow to follow and often stubborn. You welcome us to your fold, but we make others feel as if they don’t belong. Forgive our alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment; the way we evaluate and compare, demean and degrade. Redeem us. Restore us. Help us, as your flock, to be faithful. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERTORY “**Granat” by DropMusic by Alex Sun

**\* DOXOLOGY UMH No. 95**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

*Remember in this time of sharing to respect people's privacy, as we are streaming the service online. Share whatever you feel comfortable with about yourself, but if the request concerns someone else, please use both discretion and kindness. Thank you for your consideration.*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**PRAYER HYMN** **“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”**

 **UMH No. 381**

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1 John 3:1-16-24

**SERMON** Rev. Rebecca Konegen

**\* SENDING HYMN** **“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Music by Alex Sun