

Sir, We Wish to See Jesus

JOHN 12:20-50

Rutland United Methodist Church
Sunday, May 18, 2025 ~ Pastor Tom Atkins
Fifth Sunday in Eastertide

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Lord, Be Glorified* **Ann Reed**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the Heavens; praise him in the heights!

All: Praise him all ye angels. Praise him all ye peoples.

Leader: Praise him sun and moon. Praise him a ye shining stars.

All: Praise him you highest in the heavens. Praise him here on earth!

Leader: Let us praise the name of the Lord, for his glory is above all things.

All: Let us praise him who loves us, his children, above all things. Amen!

HYMN *I Love You Lord (Twice)* **TFWS 2068**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit of God, today we listen for the rushing wind that speaks of your coming among us.

Breathe in us words we recognize and understand and settle upon our spirits this day, this hour.

Breath of Life, renew and inspire us to share the joy your presence brings. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Berceuse (Gabriel Faure)* **Karen James (Hand Bell Solo)**

SCRIPTURES **Luke 34:13-35, John 12:21**

SERMON *Seeing Jesus* **Rev. Tom Atkins**

HYMN *We Walk by Faith* **TFWS 2196**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of wind and flame, may your Holy Spirit keep us attuned to the voices all around us, to those who need us to be bearers of your love and compassion, and may these gifts we give help us, through your church, meet those needs. In the holy name of Jesus we pray. Amen. (Acts 2:1-21).

OFFERTORY *My Hope is Built* **Sharon Teer and Ann Reed**

DOXOLOGY

BLESSINGS and PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

Trust and Obey

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BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION SONG

Every Morning is Easter Morning

Announcements

The Lectionary is a group of four verses that Christians all over the world read each week. Here are this week's Lectionary readings: Psalm 148 ~ Acts 11:1-18 ~ Revelation 21:1-6 ~ John 13:31-35

Today following worship: **Salad Bar Potluck**. Enjoy fellowship with others!

Bells of Joy have begun Spring rehearsals, which are held on **Fridays at 3:30 pm**. They plan to play during worship one Sunday in May and one in June. A special Pentecost Bell Concert will be held at Grace UCC on June 8. Contact Karen James if you are interested in playing in the bell choir.

Joy Choir meets at 9:30 AM on Sunday to rehearse for worship. Contact Ann Reed if you would like to join.

Bible Study/Discussion Group. Join via Zoom on Wednesday, May 7. Contact the office for the Zoom link.

Financial FYI

Tithes & Offerings for May 4: **\$ 2,000**

Tithes & Offerings for May 11: **\$ 570**

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