

Buffalo United Methodist Church
5th Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2021

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We gather in the name of the risen Lord.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather to share our faith and to worship God.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather to proclaim the good news of Easter!

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

UNISON PRAYER

**Lord of Resurrection surprises, open our hearts this day
to the presence of Jesus Christ.**

**Erase our excuses for unbelief and exchange them
for strong witness to the power of your mercy and love.**

**Give us courage and challenge us to walk the path of discipleship,
knowing that Jesus goes before us, leading and guiding our steps.**

In his name, we pray. Amen.

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above the Heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 9:34-35

33 And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” **34** But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.

35 And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” **36** And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, **37** “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

MESSAGE

Rev. Deborah Coble



SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING 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.

BLESSING

**Life is short and we have too little time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.**

**So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind,
and may the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.**

*We give thanks for those who serve our community with their gifts and talents.
We are blessed to be a blessing!*

Upcoming:

May 16 Communion and receiving New Members
(if you are interested in joining the church please speak with Pastor Deborah)

Saturday May 22 Emergency Response Training
(become UMCOR certified pre-registration required)

May 23rd Pentecost Sunday (wear Red for the birthday of the Church)

May 30th Cheryl Davis Preaching