

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**Fifth Sunday of Eastertide**

**May 7, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

Prelude: Praise Him! Praise Him! Rita Pittman

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Rev. Alan Forsman

**\* Call to Worship**

Pastor: For God alone my soul waits in silence

**People: For my hope is from Him**

Pastor: He is my fortress, I shall not be shaken

**People: On God rests my deliverance and honor**

Pastor: Trust in Him at all times

**People: God is a refuge for us**

\*Hymn #8 How Great Thou Art

Offering In the Garden Rita Pittman  
Doxology (#48) and Prayer of Dedication

Special Music Prayer Norma Goodwin

Prayers of the Church Rev. Liz Jensen  
Moment of Silent Prayer  
Morning Prayer followed by Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lessons Psalm 4:1; Jeremiah 29:11-13; Hal Bates  
Luke 6:12; I Thessalonians 5:17-18

Hymn # 368 Open My Eyes

Today's Message Why Pray? Alan Forsman

\*Hymn # 399 What a Friend we have in Jesus

\*Benediction

\*Postlude Forever Rita Pittman

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**\* You may choose to stand or remain seated.**

**CHURCH LIFE**

**Altar Flowers:** are provided by Diane Hartley to the glory of God and our country.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER.**

George Alexander heart related issues.

Evangelical Covenant Church leaders.

People who are struggling for direction in their lives.

**ALAN FORSMAN** Thank you Alan for bringing us this sermon today. Alan currently residing in Sarasota, Florida, with his wife Sara and has over thirty years of experience in organizational consulting. He specializes in executive coaching, team development, facilitation, and training. In addition, he has consulted with several churches in starting significant older adult ministries. He coauthored the book titled Crescendo: An Ascent to Vital Living

**FOOD DONATIONS** - Next Sunday is the food collection for the Salvation Army. Any and all canned foods and dry goods will be appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

**FLOWER CALANDAR** - is located at the back table. Remember a loved one or special occasion by providing Altar flowers. You are welcome to take them home after the service and we deliver small arrangements to shut-ins and people who are ill or to those who need to know we are thinking of them.

**Are you interested** in becoming a church member? Please see Pastor Kosec or Head Usher after the service about your interest and for answers to your questions about membership.

**Head Usher:** Hal Bates

**Usher/Greeters:**

Nancy VanEss & Nicki Landau

John & Dot Milne

**Attendance Last Week:**

In-Person- 52

**Scripture Reading**  
New Living Translation

**Psalms 4:1**

<sup>1</sup> Answer me when I call to you,  
O God who declares me innocent.  
Free me from my troubles.  
Have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**Jeremiah 29:11-13**

<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. <sup>12</sup> In those days when you pray, I will listen. <sup>13</sup> If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me.

**Luke 6:12**

<sup>12</sup> One day soon afterward Jesus went up on a mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night.

**1 Thessalonians 5:17-18**

<sup>17</sup> Never stop praying. <sup>18</sup> Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.



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