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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE	<i>Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word</i> Dudley Oakes	J. S. Bach
GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Dwight Davis
CALL TO WORSHIP		Pat Ashbrook
*OPENING HYMN	<i>Halleluja</i>	NCH, #236
PRAYER OF INVOCATION		Pat Ashbrook
PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND CONFESSION	<i>(follows a moment of silence, in unison)</i>	
Dear Holy One		
As we enjoy the spring, keep us aware of Thy gift of new life while we watch flowers bloom and trees begin to leaf. We realize what a sacred treasure this world is for us and that You have entrusted us with its care. Keep us also mindful of the countries where justice and goodness do not prevail, especially of our association with Colombia and the struggles of its people. We have not always been true to our caring of our world and those who live far from us. The press of our daily lives takes precedence all too often. Help us to slow down and to dedicate ourselves to better meet their needs . Amen.		
WORDS OF ASSURANCE		Pat Ashbrook
*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST	<i>(kids may leave for a Sunday school)</i>	
ANTHEM	<i>The Apple Tree</i> FCC Choir	K. Lee Scott
<b><u>PROCLAIMING</u></b>		
SCRIPTURE READINGS	John 14: 23-29	Pat Ashbrook
*SERMON HYMN	<i>Shall We Gather at the River</i>	NCH, #597

SERMON

Matriarchs of the Movement  
Acts 16: 9-15

Dwight Davis

**RESPONDING**

OFFERING

Dwight Davis

OFFERTORY

*Fantasia in D Minor*  
Dudley Oakes

Pachelbel

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WELCOME OF VISITORS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")*

Our God, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN

*For the Healing of the Nations*

NCH, #576

\*BENEDICTION

Dwight Davis

POSTLUDE

*Toccata*  
Dudley Oakes

Georgi Mushel

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\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

NCH = New Century Hymnal

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**Lay Leader:** Pat Ashbrook is an associate member of FCC and also of Lake Street Church of Evanston IL. Being a life long Baptist, she wanted to retain affiliation with her home church in Evanston. When she moved to Washington 4 years ago, she looked for a progressive and inclusive church like the ones she had known and feels fortunate to have found this church.

**Birthdays:**

May 14 Stefani Filak, Anne Griffis  
**THIS WEEK**

**Today**

2:00 pm Fellowship Hour.

**Monday, May 10**

6:30 pm Finance Commission

**Tuesday, May 11**

7:00 pm Social Action Committee

**Thursday, May 13**

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, May 16**

12:00 pm Bible Workbench

1:00 pm Worship Service

Confirmation Class leads the Service

2:00 pm Fellowship Hour Hosts: Grace & Don Bassler, Linda Carder, Pat Ashbrook

4:00 pm Reception Service for Covenant Baptist Church

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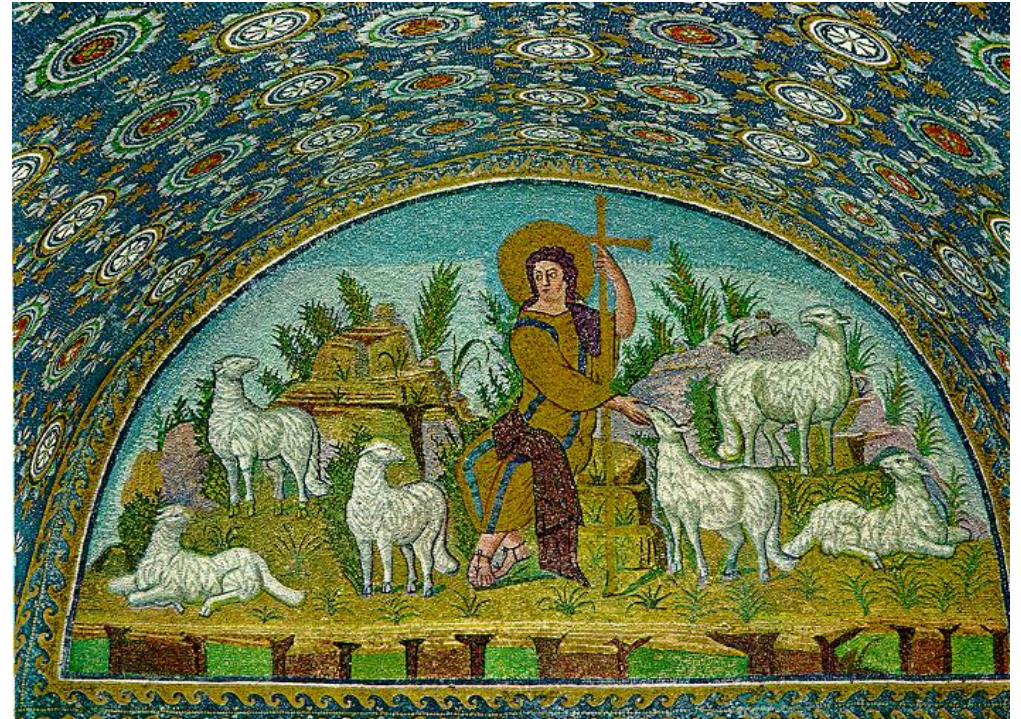
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**A Just Peace, Open and Affirming,**

**Multiracial and Multicultural Congregation**

**Intentionally Inclusive...Expect the Unexpected**



**“Matriarchs of the Movement”**

**May 9, 2010 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

#### **Acts 16: 9-15**

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.