

East Parish United Methodist Church

Established 1834

East Parish is a Church open to all, which nurtures and enables people to experience God's transforming love and serve others in Jesus' name.



***Mother's Day
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2021***

*The Book of Remembrance is opened to the Glory of God,
in loving memory of Wallace Waye.*

*Today's altar flowers are given by Ken and Sandy Roughton in
memory of their mothers Catherine Mahank and Lounette Roughton
and in honor of Sandy's Aunt, Mary Mahank Barnes.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you wish to become a member of our church family, or to be baptized, contact Pastor Wichmann at nan_wich@bellsouth.net

*** OPENING HYMN** *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* **#92 (insert)**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Ministry Matters)

L: We have gathered in the presence of the God in whom every family in heaven and on earth receives its name.

P: **We come, in the prayer that the peace of Christ might dwell in our family relationships.**

L: We come, in the prayer that the peace of God might permeate the life of the human family.

All: **May the love of Christ fill our hearts, our lives, and our world, to the glory of God. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

In you, O God, every family on earth receives its name. Illumine the homes of this earth with the light of your love, granting courage to those who are hurt or lonely, endurance to those who care for sick family members, and wisdom to those in fearful times of change. We thank you for gifts of love we have received from mother, father, spouse, child, or companion. As we have been loved by you and by others, so may we love. Grant us your peace, through Jesus the Christ. Amen. [Ruth Duck]

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20: 2, 12

John 15: 9-17

SERMON

"Praise and Prayer for Mothers"

Pastor Mary Jane O'Connor-Ropp

*** HYMN** *"How Can We Name a Love?"* **#111 (insert)**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to share your prayers of thanksgiving or petition. You may also send them to Pastor Wichmann at nan_wich@bellsouth.net; indicate whether or not they should be shared.

PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L. Please greet your neighbors with the blessing: "The peace of Christ be with you."

P. **And also with you.**

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Canon in D"

Johann Pachelbel

* DOXOLOGY

No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

* HYMN

"Happy the Home"

#445 (insert)

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE *"This is the Feast of Victory"* **#638 (insert)** *vs. 3 – Antiphon*

***Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

POSTLUDE


"Postlude in C"

Christian Rinck

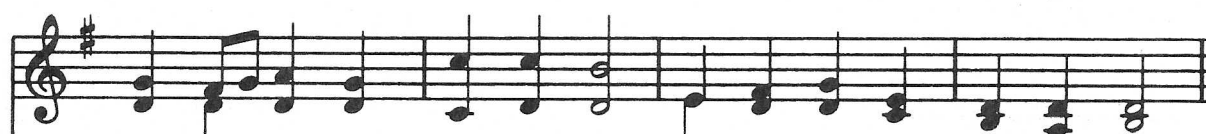
**Indicates that we rise in body or in spirit.*

For the Beauty of the Earth

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1. For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
 2. For the beau-ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
 4. For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
 5. For thy church, that ev-er-more lift-eth ho-ly hands a-bove,
 6. For thy-self, best Gift Di-vine, to the world so free-ly given,



for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies;
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light;
 for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight;
 friends on earth and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild;
 of-fering up-on ev-ery shore her pure sac-ri-fice of love;
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven:

Refrain

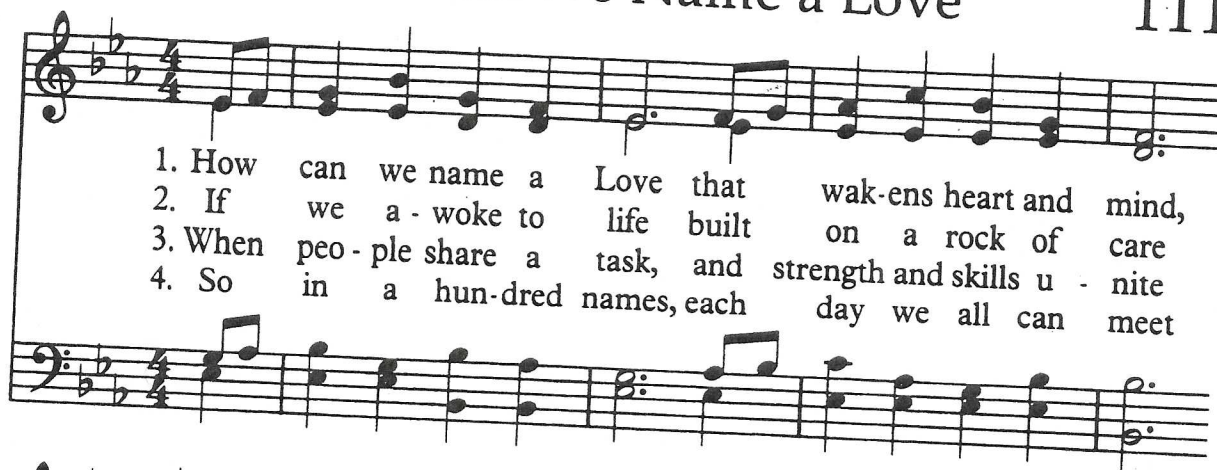


Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.
 * Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac-ri-fice of praise.

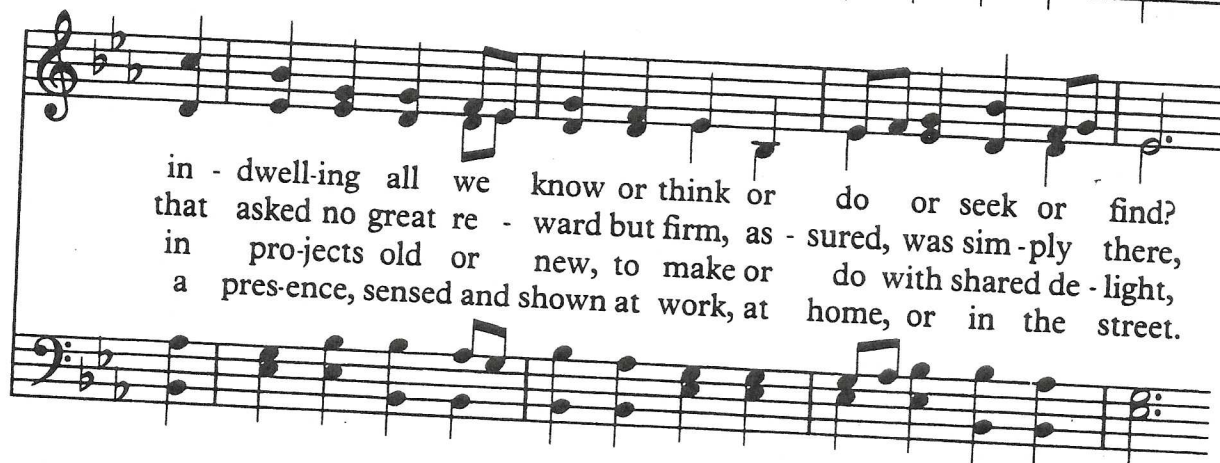
*For Holy Communion

How Can We Name a Love

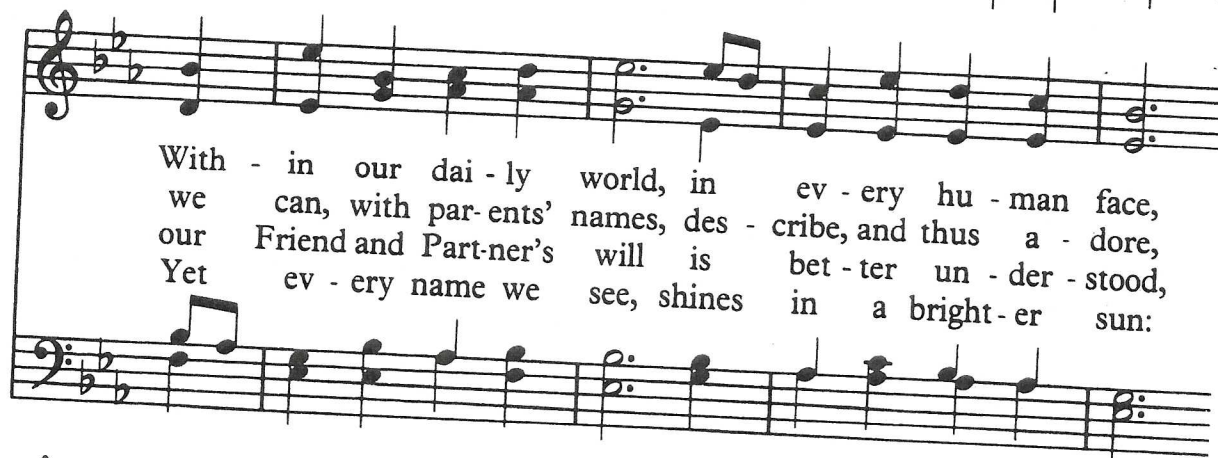
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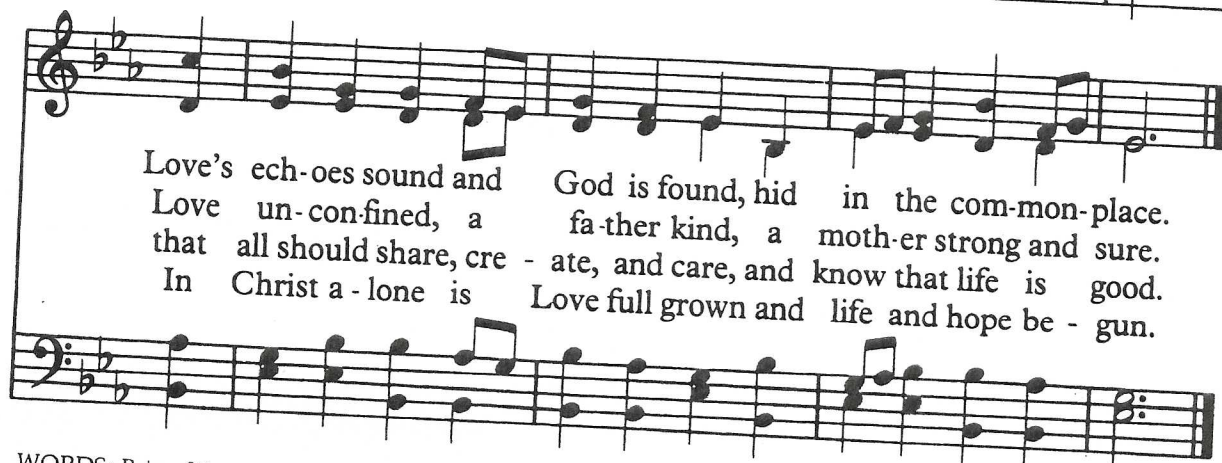
1. How can we name a Love that wak-ens heart and mind,
 2. If we a - woke to life built on a rock of care
 3. When peo - ple share a task, and strength and skills u - nite
 4. So in a hun-dred names, each day we all can meet



in - dwell-ing all we know or think or do or seek or find?
 that asked no great re - ward but firm, as - sured, was sim - ply there,
 in pro-jects old or new, to make or do with shared de - light,
 a pres-ence, sensed and shown at work, at home, or in the street.



With - in our dai - ly world, in ev - ery hu - man face,
 we can, with par-ents' names, des - cribe, and thus a - dore,
 our Friend and Part-ner's will is bet - ter un - der - stood,
 Yet ev - ery name we see, shines in a bright - er sun:



Love's ech-oes sound and God is found, hid in the com-mon-place.
 Love un-con-fined, a fa-ther kind, a moth-er strong and sure.
 that all should share, cre - ate, and care, and know that life is good.
 In Christ a - lone is Love full grown and life and hope be - gun.

WORDS: Brian Wren, 1973

MUSIC: Trad. English melody; adapt. by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

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TERRA BEATA
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445 Happy the Home When God Is There

1. Hap - py the home when God is there,
 2. Hap - py the home where Je - sus' name
 3. Hap - py the home where prayer is heard,
 4. Lord, let us in our homes a - gree

and love fills ev - ery breast; when one their wish, and
 is sweet to ev - ery ear; where chil - dren ear - ly
 and praise is wont to rise; where par - ents love the
 this bless - ed peace to gain; u - nite our hearts in

one their prayer, and one their heaven - ly rest.
 speak his fame, and par - ents hold him dear.
 sa - cred Word and all its wis - dom prize.
 love to thee, and love to all will reign.

WORDS: Henry Ware, Jr., 1846
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1866

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Exodus 20: 2, 12 (NRSV)

² I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery;

¹² Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

John 15: 9-17 (NRSV)

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants^[a] any longer, because the servant^[b] does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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Pettengill Saturday Night Meals

The next **Saturday Night Meal** is next Saturday, May 15th. This month's meal is Ziti with meatballs and sausage. 45 casseroles are needed along with 40 milks. If you can help with this, either a meal or milk, items may be dropped off here at East Parish (Rose Room back door) on Saturday starting at 12:30 pm. And by the way, in April, you helped provide for a whopping 230 meals for your neighbors in need!! Many thanks for your continued support of this important community service.