

# **SOUTHLAWN**

**A United Methodist Church**

*“Do No Harm...Do Good...Stay in Love With God”*

-John Wesley



**SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024**

*Seventh Sunday of Eastertide*

**CELEBRATION WORSHIP at 10:00 A.M.**

*\*Join us in prayer at the altar, starting at 9:40 a.m.  
as we pray for God's presence and blessings in this worship service.*

*It's the season of **Eastertide!** And we **WELCOME** you, Church Family & Friends, as together we celebrate our promise-keeping, life and soul saving Lord and Savior! May we all be enlivened by our God's grace-filled blessings of new and abundant life with and through the Holy Spirit of Christ Jesus, our Savior and Lord!*

---

*As we gather our hearts and minds to worship our Savior & Lord, please **MUTE** yourself and **SILENCE** all cell phones & other electronic devices.*

*\*Please **STAND** as you are able.*

## **THE GATHERING**

### **LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR & CHRIST CANDLES**

**PRELUDE/WORSHIP VIDEO**      *"You Are Good"*      **IsraelNewBreed**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**      **Jill Washington, Lay Leader**

**HYMN/WORSHIP VIDEO**      *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*      **Martijn DeGroot**

**GREETING & WORDS OF WELCOME**      **Rev. Colleen M. Norman, Pastor**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**      **Led by Airess McGill**

Eastertide people, raise your voices, for we who belong to the Risen Christ rejoice!  
**We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together!**

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world!  
**We share Christ by proclaiming the Good News of God's love to the world!**

How will you share God's love with the world?  
**By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.**

Eastertide people, you belong to the Risen Christ!  
**Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go!**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION:**      **Airess McGill**

**HYMN/WORSHIP VIDEO**      *"I Can Go to God in Prayer"*      **Albertina Walker**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**INVITATION**      **Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

**SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal Savior, it is so easy to get lost in the noise and busyness of this life! Forgive, we pray, the times we lose focus and so easily forget to give the praise and glory we owe You, offering it to the world instead. You, alone, are worthy of our complete adoration and praise! You, alone, O Lord are worthy of our exaltation! You, our Creator, Savior and Friend are worthy of our faithful love! Creator, who makes all things new, renew our hearts and deepen our faith and faithfulness that we may graciously receive what You have in store for us this day. In Your wondrous name, Amen!

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

**WE GIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS**

**Jill Washington**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**

**Airess McGill**

**HYMN/WORSHIP VIDEO**

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

**Instrumental**

**Posted by SoundofJoy**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Airess McGill**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC/WORSHIP VIDEO**

*“Jesus Promised”*

**Chicago Mass Choir**

**Posted by newhavenvideos**

**WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Psalm 1*

**Airess McGill**

**EPISTLE READING**

*I John 5:9-13*

**GOSPEL READING**

*John 17:6-19*

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

**THE SERMON**

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

***“HOW SHALL WE LOVE?: WE SHARE CHRIST!”***

**ALTAR CALL**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

*“You Are God”*

**Marvin Sapp**

**SENDING FORTH**

**BENEDICTION WITH BLESSING**

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman**

**GOING FORTH**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Total Praise”*

**Southlawn UMC Choir**

---

**LITURGIST** for today’s service is...

**Airess McGill**

**MULTIMEDIA TECHS** for today’s service are...

**Nicole Devitt/Valerie Collins**

---

**SOUTHLAWN  
A United Methodist Church**

8605 South Cregier Avenue

Phone: (773)734-7708

Email: [slawnumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slawnumc@sbcglobal.net)

Chicago, Illinois 60617

Fax: (773) 734-8382

Website: [www.southlawnumc.org](http://www.southlawnumc.org)

Facebook: Southlawn United Methodist Church

**Betty Morris, Administrative Assistant**

Office Hours: Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Rev. Colleen M. Norman, Pastor**