

SUNDAY, May 3, 2026
Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006
Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Worship Music: Rosalyn McClore



PRELUDE	“I’ll Fly Away”	Rosalyn McClore
WELCOME AND INVOCATION		Pastor Park
* OPENING HYMN	“How Great Thou Art”	UMH # 77

**1 O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
 consider all the worlds thy hand have made,
 I see the stars, I hear the *rolling thunder,
 thy power throughout the universe displayed.**

Refrain:

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
 how great thou art, how great thou art!
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 how great thou art, how great thou art!**

**2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
 and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
 when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]**

**3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
 sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
 that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
 he bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]**

**4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
 and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
 and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [Refrain]**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, You call us to be your people, a royal priesthood and a holy nation,
 yet we confess we often choose the ways of the world over the ways of your
 kingdom. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our
 neighbors as ourselves. We have been timid in our witness, hesitant to share the
 joy of the resurrection, and quick to overlook the needs of others. In your great
 mercy, forgive our sins—both the wrongs we have done and the good we have
 left undone. By your Holy Spirit, strengthen us to live as people of light, to love
 in truth and action, and to serve you with confidence and joy.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

P: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Park

GATHERING SONG

“He is Lord”

UMH # 177

He is Lord, he is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

SCRIPTURE

John 14:1-14

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.

2 My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

4 You know the way to the place where I am going.”

5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

7 If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

8 Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

9 Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?

10 Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

11 Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

13 And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Gratitude" Rosalyn McClore

MESSAGE "When We Are in Trouble" Pastor Park

PRAISE "Way Maker" Rosalyn McClore

RECEIVING THE MORNING'S OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** UMH # 95

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

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Pastor Park

HOLY COMMUNION The Great Thanksgiving UMH # 13

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

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.

* HYMN

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

TFWS # 2146

1. Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely
and long for heaven and home,
When Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is he:
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.

Refrain:

I sing because I'm happy,
 I sing because I'm free,
 for his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me.

2. "Let not your heart be troubled,"
 his tender word I hear,
 and resting on his goodness,
 I lose my doubts and fears;
 though by the path he leadeth
 but one step I may see:
 His eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me.
 (Refrain)

3. Whenever I am tempted,
 whenever clouds arise,
 when song gives place to sighing,
 when hope within me dies;
 I draw the closer to him,
 from care he sets me free:
 His eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me.
 (Refrain)

*** BENEDICTION**

Pastor Park

POSTLUDE

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Rosalyn McClore

***Stand as able**

Announcements:

- We welcome all of you to our Sunday worship service today. We are glad that you are joining us this morning in person as well as online.
- Altar Flowers are given this morning by Zorina D'Emilio to the Glory of God.
- Please join us in the gym for fellowship immediately following the worship service.

- Our annual fish & chips dinner will be held this coming Saturday, May 9th from 5-7 pm. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children with outdoor seating as well as takeout. Prepay for your tickets by May 3rd. Walk ups will be available while supplies last.
- What does it truly mean to follow Jesus—not just in belief, but in the way we live each day? Join us for *A Disciple's Path*, a meaningful Bible study that will help us deepen our relationship with Christ and discover practical ways to live out our faith through prayer, worship, service, and generosity. This study will take place via Zoom every Friday evening at 7:30 until May 15th.



Happy Birthday to:

Doreen Boyer – May 10