



**7th Sunday of Easter**  
*May 16, 2021*

**Gathering, Welcome and Announcement**

**\*Call to Worship**

Now is the time - Return to the Lord!

**Let go of all the pain. Let go of all the hate.**

**Return to the Lord and your true life.**

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**Turn from your sins. Leave behind all your fears.**

**Return to the Lord with a heart of repentance.**

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**Discard your old ways. Give up your sorrows.**

**Return to the Lord and hold fast to the hope found only in Christ.**

**\*Hymn**

**“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”**

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father there is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not, as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.  
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.  
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

**Children’s Time with Ashley**

**Scripture Reading**      **Joel 1:1-6, 2:12-14, 2:23-29**

**Sermon**  
**Harnish**

**“The Year of the Locust”**

**Rev. Jack**

## **Hymn of Response            “It Is Well With My Soul”**

When peace like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul!  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

## **Prayers of the People and the Prayer of Jesus**

### **\*Sending Forth Hymn            “Be Still My Soul”**

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side. Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to thy God to order and provide, in every change God faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: you God will undertake to guide the future, as in ages past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious, shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know the Christ who ruled them  
while he dwelt below.

## **Benediction**

*The Offering Plate is located by the main sanctuary entrance doors before and after worship.  
You may also mail in your offering or drop it off at the church office Monday-Thursday between 9 and 12. Additionally, we have convenient ways  
to give to the work of the Leland Community UMC through online giving on our church website.*