



First United Methodist Church of Carson City

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Pastor Kevin Dotts

Lay Reader: Terri Gagnier

Worship Arts Coordinator: Jes Houk

Chancel Choir Director: Judy Monson

Music Leaders: Michelle Dotts & Diane Updegrove

Pianist: Katie Cardoza

Organist: Nancy Mielke

Worship Arts Coordinator: Jes Houk

Prelude

Welcome

Praise Songs *Come into His Presence*
Above All

Opening Prayer

ONE: Beloved, let us worship God!

ALL: Let us give praise to God, the one who rides upon the clouds!

ONE: As God led the Israelites through the wilderness and provided for them,

ALL: we too find our dwelling in God's goodness and provision.

ONE: The Rider in the heavens speaks throughout creation;

ALL: We gather to listen and ascribe power to God!

ONE: Awesome is God in the sanctuary of creation!

ALL: Blessed be God! Amen.

Passing the Peace

ONE: Peace be with you!

ALL: And also with you!

ONE: And now let us share the peace of Christ with one another!

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Acts 1: 6-14, NIV*

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day’s walk from the city. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Choir Anthem *Come, Holy Spirit, Like the Wind*

Witness to the Word

Praises and Prayers

Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer

Offering Prayer/Doxology *Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow #95*

Action Steps

Closing Hymn *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name #154*

Blessing

Choir Benediction *Alleluia, Amen!*

Postlude