**"Faith, Fortune, Fame, and Family--Who's on First?" May 16, 2021**

Prelude………………………………………………………….Marilyn Machmer, Director of Music

Ring the Bells -- Light the Candles………………………….Maks Schnerr, Assistant Sexton

Call to Worship

Announcements

Hymn 469……………………………………………………………………………"Morning Has Broken"

Prayer of Confession:  Lord, our hearts are restless.  During this time of uncertainty, we want faith, fortune, fame and family close to us.  Yes, we want to have the security of money in the bank.  We want to be recognized and have our egos stroked. Forgive our focus on what we want, rather than what **You** want.  Help us to center on Your direction and Jesus' teaching. Renew us by Your loving Spirit . . . *(time of silence).* In Jesus' name. Amen.

Declaration of God's Love and Forgiveness:

Response 383……………………………………………..."My Faith Looks Up to Thee" [vs. 1, 2]

Prayers for Ourselves and Others, and the Lord's Prayer in unison

Anthem:  “How Great is Our God”

Old Testament Scripture………….……………..Judges 4:4-16…Deborah, the Prophetess

Time for Children and Teens

New Testament Scripture……………………………………………………………………Acts 1:12-14

Message: "Who's on First-Faith, Fortune, Fame, and Family?” Rev. Dr. R. Morrison

Minute for Mission……………………………………………………………………………"Water Walk"

Giving Thanks in our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 383………………………………………..….………"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" [vs. 3, 4]

Benediction

Postlude

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**All visitors** – Please sign in on the sheet in the narthex.

**UPC Water Walk Team** is open to all.  We invite you to be a walker and/or a sponsor to help those in Malawi.  Walk and/or sponsor us.  Walk with us around the church or in your neighborhood.  For more information contact Wendy Barone at (609) 299-4390 or WendyBarone@yahoo.com [Team Captain]; or Rev Rob. **Two “Walks”!** **TODAY after church, and Sunday, May 23. Both start at 12:15pm.**

**Sunday, May 16 – Youth Group** – 5:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 18 – Session Meeting** – 7:00 PM – Upper Level Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, May 23 – Pentecost – Celebrate the Holy Spirit and Confirmation** **of Justin Gazzillo**

**VBS – The Knights of North Castle** – **August 16-August 20** (M-F 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**)**

**Thank you to this week’s greeter**: Rose Wales

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