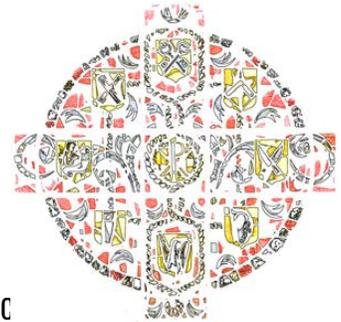




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May 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Sunday of Easter

Call to Worship

God is the True Vine,
And we are the branches.
Connected to God.
Connected to bear fruit!
Connected to God.
Or we wither away.
Connected to God.
Or useless!
We come to worship God, who is the True Vine.
God, teach us how to remain connected so that we might bear good fruit!

Hymn (2236)

Gather us In

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Opening Prayer

Source of love and life, your glory knows no bounds. We yearn to set aside our fears, but we are often afraid. We long to love our sisters and brothers, but we often feel alienated from them. We desire to abide in you as you abide in us, but we can't seem to figure out how. Show us once more how to love, for only love can cast out our fear. Show us how to love one another well, for only then can we truly know you. Show how to abide in your vine, for only then can we bear the fruit that glorifies your name. Amen.

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Second Reading

John 15:1-8

Sermon

Hymn (318)

Christ is Alive

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Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen

Invitation to The Offering

Offertory

By My Side

Cheryl Assaid and Jane Burnett, vocalists. Elizabeth Scribner, Director

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn (384)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Dismissal with Blessing

We prayerfully ask that you sustain your generosity so that Hinton Avenue can continue to be a blessing to others. You may want to consider making your offerings to the church through a **periodic automatic draft from your bank account**, as many members have already done. This relieves you of writing and mailing a check (banks

will mail it free of charge for you) and assures the church of your ongoing support, even on those times when you cannot be with us in Sunday worship. You may also give via **PayPal** by using the “donate” buttons at <http://www.hintonavenueumc.org> or on our [FaceBook](#) page.

Please plan to attend a congregational meeting at 3 pm on May 16. We will share information and seek feedback on important changes to our church leadership, update on post-COVID reopening plans, and announce an exciting development in the journey of Rachel’s Haven. The meeting will be held online and you can join in one of several ways:

- - by visiting <https://bit.ly/2JAKOGW> or entering the meeting ID **142 714 820** and password **436770** in the Zoom application (same as for Sunday morning worship)
- - by calling **1 (646)876-9923** and entering the meeting ID **142 714 820#** and password **436770** on an ordinary telephone
- - by viewing live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/hintonaveumc/live and responding in the comments

The Charlottesville Superintendency Committee is planning a farewell event for our retiring District Superintendent, Danny Kesner. Exactly what this event will look like depends greatly on what the COVID rules will allow at the time. The gathering will be **Sunday, June 6, at Aldersgate UMC in Charlottesville from 3:00-5:00PM**. We plan for this event to take place out of doors, weather permitting, and would therefore be a very casual time and permit social distancing.

Praying for One Another

May 2, 2021

At Home

Donald Allen
Bob & Mary Lambert
Tom Goodman
Sonny Mawyer
Edith Coleman
Lieu Lewis
Kathy Miller
John Holmes

Joanne Burruss
Frances Walton
Harvey Brown
Charles & Ruth Bankard
Neil McLaughlin
Debbie Stollings
Pat Lewis
John Wilkinson

At Rosewood Village

Charlotte Blincoe

At The Laurels

W.E. Pittman

It is important that we remain gathered in spirit

Join us by computer, mobile device, or telephone.

Virtual Choir Wednesdays 6:30 – 8 pm

To join the Zoom meeting, visit <https://bit.ly/3bRQRTE>
or dial **1 (646)876-9923** and enter Meeting ID: **494 767 0409 #**
Password: 862611

Sunday School Sundays 9:45-10:30 am

To join the Zoom meeting, visit <https://bit.ly/341reOZ>
or dial **1(646)876-9923** and enter Meeting ID: **883 7890 0974#**
Password: 388015

You can join us for Worship on Sundays at 11 am

To join the Zoom meeting, visit <https://bit.ly/2JAKOGW>
or dial **1(646)876-9923** and enter Meeting ID: **142 714 820#**
Password: 436770

Or view on Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/hintonaveumc/live

Joining a meeting by phone only

- **Dial 1 (646)876-9923.**
- You will be prompted to **enter the meeting ID** - the nine (9) digit ID provided to you by the host, **followed by #**.
- If the meeting has not already started and join before host is not enabled, you will be prompted to enter the host key to start the meeting, or to **press #** to wait if you are participant.
- You will be prompted to enter your unique participant ID. **Press # to skip.**

Phone controls for participants

The following commands can be entered via DTMF tones using your phone's dial pad while in a Zoom meeting:

*6 - Toggle mute/unmute

*9 - Raise hand