MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, May 14, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "Blessed Assurance" (Phoebe P. Knapp)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 428: "From Darkness I Will Lead Them"

Opening Prayer

Special Music: "God Is Seen" (CAPTAIN KIDD, arr. Alice Parker)

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Gospel Reading: Acts 17:22-31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

Sermon: "DIFFERENT TYPES OF SERMONS"

Hymn 51: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hand"

Benediction

Benediction Response 51 (v. 1 and 5): "He's Got the Whole World in His Hand"

1) He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand. 5) He's got you and me, brother, in His hand, He's got you and me, sister, in His hand, He's got ev'rybody here in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand.

Greet One Another

Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb Fuller, Gail Sawyer, Chancel Choir

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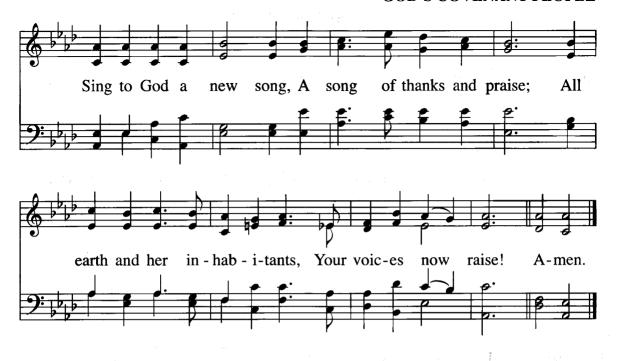
From Darkness I Will Lead Them

Isaiah 42 Joanne Reynolds Johann A. P. Schulz, 1747-1800

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GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE



Lord of light,

Guide us in our darkness, illuminate our way, Stir us to devotion, this today we pray.

Move us to Your service, each our own to do, Help us to be faithful, merciful and true.

Never ever leave us, but stay beside us still, Blessing us Your servants, showing us Your will.

Thank You for Your covenant, and Your grace so true, May our songs of praise and thank always be to You.

Amen.

He's Got the Whole World in His Hand

Spiritual

Spiritual Arr. by Hezekiah Brinson, Jr., 1958–

