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Outdoor Worship begins Sunday, May 23rd! Bring your own chairs (masks optional).

Pentecost & Graduates will be celebrated on May 23rd as well!

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Worship online: [Facebook Live](#) or on our [Website](#)

All words for communal speaking are included below. You are encouraged to either speak the words in bold aloud as you worship, and to sing out your praise, or to attend to these words for worship and meditate on their meaning.

You are also invited to greet one another and post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or to fill out the [website](#) connect card.

GATHERING SONG "Ain't No Grave"

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come and celebrate! Shout joyfully to the Lord, your God!
Glorify him with your praise!

P: Everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises, shouting your name in joyful songs.

L: Come and see what our God has done, what awesome things he has done for us!

P: Let the whole world bless our God and sing his praise. For our lives are in his hands, and he keeps our feet from stumbling.

SONG OF PRAISE

“10,000 Reasons”

OPENING PRAYER

Source of all creation, maker of the world and everything in it, you are never far from each one of us. We come into your house seeking you, O giver of life and breath. Reveal yourself to us; dwell with us; and abide in us. We live because of you. We hope because of you. In the name of Jesus Christ in whom we live, and the Spirit of Truth who abides in us, amen.

SCRIPTURE

John 14:1-3, 18-19; Revelation 21:1-5

SONG OF PREPARATION

“How Great Thou Art *with* How Great is Our God”

SERMON

“Hope in the Face of Illness and Death”

Rev. Melody Webb

PASTORAL PRAYER

Post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

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, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Giver of all gifts, we are grateful for your every blessing and for your presence through all of life—in our joys and fears, and in our hopes and sorrows. We pray for those who do not know the consolation of your presence in their lives, asking that you reveal yourself to them through the gifts we have given and through the lives we live. Reveal yourself, O God, that all your children may find their true home in you. Amen.

WORDS OF BLESSING

Get ready to go into God’s world. Bring messages of hope to all. “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 15:13)

SONG OF SENDING

“I’ll Fly Away”

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