

**\*Benediction Song**

*On Eagle's Wings*

*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.*

**\*Postlude**

*Rejoice in the Lord Always*

Leslye Ames

\*Stand as you are able.

Lay Reader: George Barker

*Commit . . . Connect . . . Engage . . .*

**First United Methodist Church, Tallassee is committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ, by connecting people to the Word of God and engaging them in ministry here and throughout the world.**

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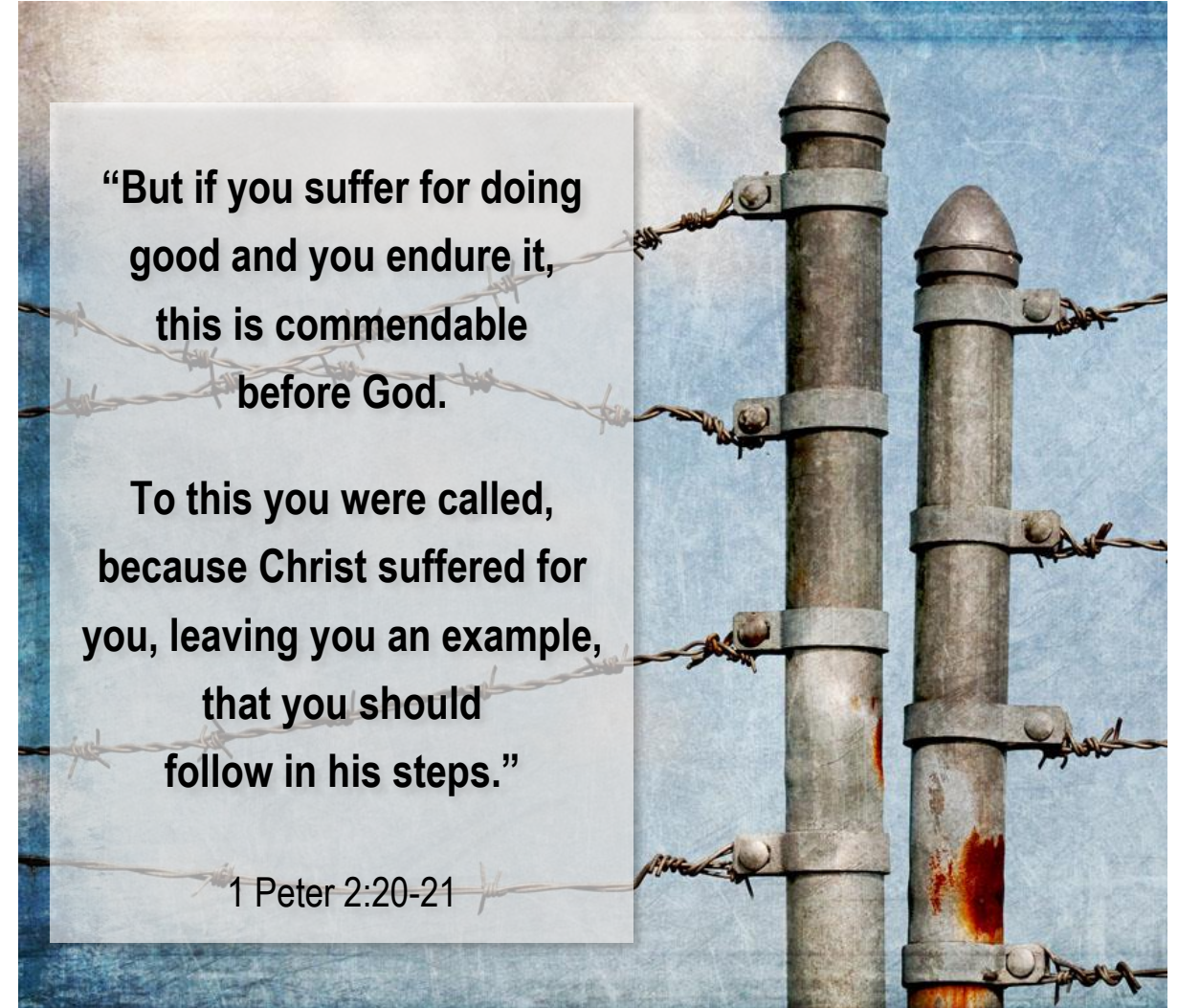
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**“But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.**

**To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.”**

**1 Peter 2:20-21**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**  
**May 7, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter – White**

*The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.*

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**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** *Song Without Words* Steele Segrest

**\*Invocation**

**\*Theme Song** *Step by Step*  
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways; and step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

**\*Greeting Time**

**\*Theme Song** *Step by Step*  
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**\*Hymn of Praise** *There's Within My Heart a Melody* **380**

**\*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles Creed***

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen.* \*means universal

**Joys and Concerns**

**Moment of Silence**

We light this candle to signify our prayers for those involved in armed conflict around the world. We lift up those we know and love serving in the United States Armed Services and we recognize God's call to pray for our enemies. We ask for God's peace and wholeness to illuminate every darkness. We join together in a moment of silence and invite you to lift up your prayers on behalf of our community, nation, and world.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Congregational Singing**

*Jesus Paid It All*

I hear the Savior say: "Thy strength indeed is small. Child of weakness, watch and pray; find in me thine all in all." Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power. I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him. I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

**Children's Moment**

(Children age 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade will be escorted to Children's Church)

**Offertory** *Down to the River to Pray* Men's Quartet

**\*Prayer of Praise**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Holy Communion**

**UMH 12**

*Communion rail offerings go to the Minister's Discretionary Fund to help local residents in need.*

**\*Scripture** **1 Peter 2:19-25**

**Sermon** "Suffering" **Rev. Dric Williford**

**\*Hymn of Consecration** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling* **348 (v. 1 & 4)**

**\*Benediction**