### **First United Methodist Church Sarasota**

Love God. Love People. Make Disciples of Jesus Christ.

### **Contemporary Service**

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024

(This service was recorded from the previous week.)

Baron Garriott, Director of Praise Music Rev. Woody Woodward, Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. Sam Wright, Senior Pastor

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WELCOME Jennifer Boris

PRAISE SONGS Celebration Praise Band

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Woody Woodward, Associate Pastor

SPECIAL MUSIC Celebration Praise Band

SCRIPTURE READING

Rev. Brian Carr, Director of Church Relations Florida United Methodist Children's Home (Residing Hope)

Acts 4:32-37 (NIV)

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

Ripples of Generosity, Waves of Grace

PRAISE SONG Celebration Praise Band

#### OFFERING OUR GIFTS

We are grateful for you, for your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness. To give your gifts, you may mail a check to the church or give through the church's website www.firstsrq.com, click GIVE. Thank you for your generosity.

**BLESSING** 

PASSING THE PEACE

## **Upcoming Events and Announcements**

### **UPCOMING SUNDAYS**

May 12 – Mother's Day – Celebrate in the Narthex with Refreshments by Joy. Children's Moment, Baptism (See photograph request below.)

May 19 – Pentecost Sunday – Wear RED as we celebrate the birthday of the church. (Acts 2); Baptism

**June 2 -** ONE SERVICE (10 a.m.) followed by FAREWELL to DR. SAM in Fellowship Hall

**June 16 –** ONE SERVICE (10 a.m.) Father's Day and PASTOR WOODY'S Farewell in Fellowship Hall

**June 30** – ONE SERVICE (11 a.m.) Celebration of Freedom followed by Patriotic Picnic in Fellowship Hall

July 7- FUMC's new minister's (Rev. Brett DeHart) First Sunday

### **TO HONOR MOTHERS**

We would like to feature you and your mother in a slideshow with beautiful music during our worship services on Mother's Day, May 12. Send your photo by Tuesday, May 7, to techcoord@firstsrq. com. We will do the same for June 16 Father's Day if you would like to send a photo of you and your father at the same time.

### **UPCOMING CHILDREN'S EVENTS**

May 19 – Surprise Birthday Party (10:45 – 12 in Youth Hall)– Whose? Wear RED or Orange. Invite friends!

June 17 -21 – Vacation Bible School – SCUBA – Diving into Friendship with God. Invite friends for this UNDERSEA ADVENTURE!

# IMMEDIATE CARITAS NEEDS – OFFICE AND FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

MONDAY MORNING - ONCE A MONTH

FUMC Office Coordinator Leah Pittard (941-586-0185; rockpitt38@gmail.com) FUMC Food Pantry Coordinator Chris King (850-556-3290; chriskingod@gmail.com)