

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 10, 2020

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30 am via Facebook Live

## THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

**We long for abiding peace and friendship that renews our souls.**

Jesus says, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

**We seek wisdom that endures and guidance for our journey.**

Jesus says, "Where I am, there you may be also."

**We come to encounter Christ. Let us worship our God!**

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 645

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
the God of power the God of love, the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!*

*What God's almighty power has made God's gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning flow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.  
Within the kingdom of God's might, lo! all is just and all is right:  
to God all praise and glory!*

*The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing,  
an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing,  
as with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band:  
to God all praise and glory!*

*Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises,  
that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part:  
to God all praise and glory!*

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Leader: May God be with you in worship there.

**Congregation: May God be with you in worship there.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness, interceding with sighs too deep for words. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, in baptism you claim us as your beloved children and set us apart as witnesses to your love. At times we forget we bear the mark of your grace and act as if you have no claim on our lives. You call us to the risky work of justice and peace, but we default to what is comfortable and safe. Wash us again with your grace and transform us by your Word, that our lives might proclaim your good news.**

*Silence is kept for personal prayer*

POURING OF THE WATERS & DECLARATION OF PROMISE AND FORGIVENESS

\*THE GLORIA PATRI (HYMN 581)

GREATOREX

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah  
Halle, halle, hallelujah! (x3)  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 31



John 14: 1-14

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.**

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
Shelby Wooldridge, solo

Rutter

\*THE DOXOLOGY (HYMN 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

...Lord hear us, **Lord graciously hear us.**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of**

your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

\*HYMN 724

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

ANGEL'S STORY

*O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
be though forever near me, my Master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.*

*O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near:  
I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear.  
My goes are ever near me, around me and within;  
But, Jesus, draw thou nearer and shield my soul from sin.*

*O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.*

*O Jesus, though hast promised to all who follow thee  
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.  
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY