

May 29, 2022

7th Sunday of Easter

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

*All may stand as able

Liturgist: Cynthia Sartin

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Cynthia Sartin

Prelude

You Are My All in All

arr. Cindy Berry

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We join with the saints of all generations who have gathered to worship, pray, and receive power from above.

People: Blessings and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

Leader: It is written that our Savior suffered, was crucified, was dead and buried. On the third day He rose from the dead in order that repentance and forgiveness of sins might be proclaimed in His name.

People: Our Savior and Messiah has commissioned us to be witnesses to these things.

Leader: After He completed His mission here on earth, Jesus lifted His hands and was carried up into Heaven.

People: Jesus took His rightful place at the right hand of the Father and all authority in Heaven and on Earth has been given to Him.

Leader: We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: For, in Christ and through your saving grace, You have made us one family and have opened to us the gates of Heaven.

*** HYMNS OF PRAISE**

406 *We are Standing on Holy Ground* HOLY GROUND
408 *There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* SWEET SPIRIT

*** INVOCATION (Unison)**

Dr. Dawson Harmon

Amazing and glorious God, we your people have gathered to praise you. Continue to guide us and direct us as you did in days of old. Give to us wise council and instruction through your Word and by your Spirit. Give us minds and hearts that are receptive to your directions. Then inspire us with hope and joy as we embrace the task you set before us. Build us up, Lord, that we may be your witnesses and may truly care for one another and for all who cross our paths. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

Children may choose to go to Junior Church after Children’s Sermon

CONFESSING TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: When confronted with life’s trials, it is easy to forget that we are witnesses to God’s amazing grace. The circumstances of life often leave us shaken and afraid. Therefore, we confess all that keeps us from embracing our resurrection faith and our calling to be witnesses to God’s amazing grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of Grace and Truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that often we have not welcomed the light or trusted the Good News to be good. Often, we have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace and live in the truth of Christ our Lord... (Silent prayers) ... Amen.

KYRIE

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Give thanks for the words and deeds of Jesus who reveals God’s love for us and commissions us to be His witnesses.

People: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

HYMN OF PREPARATION 451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* OPEN MY EYES

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Cynthia Sartin

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING **Ephesians 1:15-23**

ANTHEM *Lord, Tune Our Hearts to Sing* Joseph Martin
 Lord, tune our hearts to sing; awake us now to pray.
 Lord, tune our hearts to sing; prepare our hearts today.
 Lord, we come with gratitude for all that you have done.
 Lord, tune our hearts to sing, Lord, now make us one.
 We will sing your glory; we will sing your praise.
 As your music fills this place, fill us with your grace.
 Lord, tune our hearts to love, renew our unity.
 Lord, tune our hearts to love; teach us to walk in your way.
 Lord, we come with gratitude for all that you have done.
 Lord, tune our hearts to love. O, Lord now make us one. Amen.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 24:36-53**

SERMON *“When Endings Become New Beginnings”* Dr. Dawson Harmon

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

from: The Declaration of Faith (4.5)

Leader: Jesus is our living Lord.
All: Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised Him from the dead. The risen Lord appeared to His disciples. They recognized Him as their Master who was crucified.

But before Jesus left them, He commissioned them to proclaim to all people the Good News of His victory over death and to proclaim repentance and the forgiveness of sins in His name to all people.

We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all human life with the presence of God.

Because He shares our humanity and has bound us to Himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *The Majesty and Glory* Tom Fettke
of Your Name arr. John Innes

*** THE DOXOLOGY**

**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.**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Dr. Dawson Harmon

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

SENDING OUT OF GOD’S PEOPLE

*** CLOSING HYMN 268** *Crown Him* DIADEMATA
with Many Crowns

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING** Dr. Dawson Harmon

*** CHORAL BENEDICTION** *Go with Us, Lord* TALLIS’ CANON

*** Postlude** *Sing Forth to the Lord!* David Paxton

Prayer Concerns

for our church family . . .

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| George McLean | Agnes Dauphinee | Chip Prevatt |
| Wayne Hughins | Melissa Scholl | Jim Gillespie |
| Nellie Songer | Al Greenberg | Edward Giddens |
| Karen Rainwater | Laura Reichert | Jean Camp |
| Carol Brown | Vicki Cunningham | Ed Swartz, Jr. |
| Cecile Floyd | Serena Jenkins | Vernon Clark |
| Margaret Linville | Rosemary Holcomb | |

for our extended family . . .

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| Mary Hammett | Debra Jackson | Cheryl Kelley |
| Uwe Bach | Ed Vermeulen | Matt Ford |
| David Ross | Patricia Denton | Carl Martin |
| Lisa Kraye Smith | Jennifer Lee | Stephen Hogger |
| Sonia Burrage | Louis Scholl | Heather Hawkins |
| Bobbi Harper | Christine Fritsma | Bob Smith |
| Clay Charlton | Eleanor Garner | Debbie Collins |
| Donna Ford | John Pierce | Jon Sullivan |
| Joyce Ehrensperger | Jeff Hamrick | Gene Hemstead |
| Ninette Kondratowicz | Mac & Matthias | C. J. Fonte |

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are welcomed and cared for,
empowered to grow spiritually,
and equipped to serve God
and each other in meaningful ways.**