

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, August 24, 2025

The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Pastoral

F. Archer

INTROIT

In You, Lord, We Take Refuge (Psalm 71)

TOKYO

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Isaiah 71:1-6)

Leader: In you, O LORD, we take refuge;

People: Let us never be put to shame.

Leader: In Your righteousness, deliver us and rescue us;

People: Incline Your ear to us and save us.

Leader: Be to us a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save us;

People: For You are our rock and our fortress.

Leader: For You, O LORD are our hope;

People: Our praise is continually Yours.

*HYMN #491

Stand Up and Bless the Lord
verses 1 and 4

CARLISLE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful Lord: forgive us. For we have been slothful in making Your kingdom known to the world. We have often failed to live as good stewards of Your creation, we have failed to be disciplined people of prayer, and we have not always been obedient subjects of Your kingdom. Have mercy on us, O God, and grant us Your pardoning grace. Give us the desire to seek Your will, that we may show the world how to be good disciples of Jesus Christ; in Whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

O Breath of Life
Cameron Carpenter, soloist

ADIEU

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:10-17

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

"Blest be the Tie that Unbinds"

Dr. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #357

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
verses 1 and 3

MARYTON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #302

I Danced in the Morning
verses 1 and 2

SIMPLE GIFTS

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *We Cannot Measure How You Heal*

YE BANKS AND BRAES

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is David Coleman.