

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, February 4, 2024

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Aus meines Herzens Grunde/Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

J. C. Bach/LOBE DEN HERREN

INTROIT

Praise the Lord (from Psalm 147)

Williams/Guimont

Madelynne Bandermann, soloist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 147:1-11)

Leader: Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God;

People: For He is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

Leader: He determines the number of the stars; He gives to all of them their names.

People: Great is our LORD, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

Leader: The LORD takes pleasure in those who revere Him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

People: He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

Leader: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; He lifts up the downtrodden.

People: Make melody to our God on the lyre. Praise the LORD!

*HYMN #461

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

verses 1 and 2

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord of all peoples on earth: we admit to sins against those nearest to us, against the people in our own neighborhoods and city, against the members of our own church, and against those in our own family circles, as well as those who are strangers around the world. Forgive our evil ways, O God, and give us a spirit of reconciliation and patience, a willingness to love unconditionally, and a desire to follow Christ. In His 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

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

God Is So Good

Traditional

Children and Youth Choir

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace* C.L. Williams

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE **Mark 1:29-39**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON **"Knowing Him Best—Understanding Him Least"** Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN INSERT *We Come to You for Healing, Lord* LAND OF REST
verses 1 and 2

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION Five Cents Per Meal Offering Philip Gump

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY Rev. Philip Lotspeich, General Presbyter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY *Gratitude* Manookin

*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #263 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST. DENIO
verses 1 and 3

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *O Word of Life, Be Thou My Soul* C. T. Christian/T. Paris

*POSTLUDE *Praise to Our God* Blied

*Those who are able, please stand ***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is David Coleman.