

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, May 5, 2024

The Sixth Sunday in Eastertide

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Pastorale

Charles Wesley

INTROIT

Sing a New Song to the Lord (from Psalm 98)

ON SLOW SQUARE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 98:1-6

Leader: O sing to the LORD a new song,

People: For God has done marvelous things.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

People: With the lyre and the sound of melody.

Leader: With trumpets and the sound of the horn,

People: Make a joyful noise before the LORD.

*HYMN #216

O Sing a New Song
verses 1, 2, 4

GONFALON ROYAL

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, gracious God, as we confess our sins. We cannot find meaning in our worship if we hold on to our evil habits, our secret transgressions, and our rebellious ways. We have forgotten how to love as You have commanded us. Fill our empty hearts, O God, with Your grace and with Your Spirit, that we may be freed from the burdens of sin and guilt, and that we may love with a Christ like Spirit. We pray in the name of Jesus our Lord. 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

In This Quiet Hour

Michael Patrick Murphy

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 15:9-17

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

“My Christian Friends”

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #510

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts
verses 1 and 5

QUEBEC

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 #438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)*

Traditional

*POSTLUDE

Dove of Peace

arranged

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Welcome and thank you to Charis Ballard, flute.

Today's Lay Reader is Philip Gump.