

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, May 28, 2017

The Seventh Sunday of Eastertide

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Live Into Hope Of Captives Freed

TRURO

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from John 17:1-11

Leader: The hour has come for God the Father to glorify his Son, Jesus Christ.

People: God has given Christ all authority to give eternal life.

Leader: Now this is eternal life, that we may know the only true God;

People: And, that we may know Jesus Christ whom God has sent.

Leader: Christ has made God known to us;

People: We were God's, and God has given us to his Son.

Leader: God protects us in the name of Jesus Christ;

People: So that we may be one, just as the Son is one with the Father.

HYMN #464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and Eternal God: forgive us for all our waywardness. All too often, we have chosen the easy way instead of the right way. We have sought to be served rather than to serve. We have divided people with our prejudice, our hatred, and our selfish views. Forgive our grievous sins, O God. Command our lives, lift our aims, and lead us into faith. Draw us together as one by the grace of Your Son, Whom You sent into the world. This we pray in Christ's name. 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

HYMN OF OUR YOUNG CHURCH

At the Cross

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WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM *There Is a Balm in Gilead* arr. Walters
Emily Schrader, soprano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON **"The Christians and the Lions"** Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #341 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!* ASSURANCE

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 *Gloria* Gloria Patri

MOMENT FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE *Amen* DRESDEN

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #393 *Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said* BOURBON
verses 1 and 2

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *Live Into Hope Of Captives Freed* TRURO

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Today's Lay Reader is Jackie Vance.