

# THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, May 7, 2017

The Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

11:00 a.m.

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT

*Know that the Lord is God Indeed*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 23)

Leader: Because You are our Shepherd, O LORD, we shall not want.

**People: You make us lie down in green pastures; You lead us beside still waters; You restore our souls.**

Leader: You lead us in right paths for Your name's sake.

**People: Even though we walk through the darkest valley, we fear no evil.**

Leader: For You, O LORD, are with us; Your rod and staff—they comfort us.

**People: You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies; You anoint our heads with oil; our cups overflow.**

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives.

**People: We shall dwell in Your house, O LORD, forever.**

HYMN #170

*The Lord's My Shepherd*

CRIMOND

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God: You love us abundantly, but we have not loved You fully. The voice of Christ our Shepherd calls us, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We often condone evil, prejudice, hatred, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin so that, as You move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to You, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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

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### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

HYMN OF OUR YOUNG CHURCH INSERT *In the Bulb There is a Flower (v.2)* Sleeth

## WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

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

ANTHEM *The Lord Is My Shepherd* Maurice Greene

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 2:19-25

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON *Suffering for What's Right* Joel Stanley

\*HYMN #92 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ST. CHRISTOPHER

### 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* GREEK

#### OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Gounod

Isaac Brooks, baritone

\*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #356 *Come Thou Fount* NETTLETON

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *I Take, O Cross Your Shadow* ST. CHRISTOPHER

#### POSTLUDE

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\*Those who are able, please stand

\*\*\*Late Arrivals Seated

**Today's Lay Reader is Lolly Hissom.**