

Service for the Lord's Day

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Joint Worship

GATHERING

Prelude

Chimes

Welcome (Please sign the friendship pad)

Introit *Come, Now is the Time to Worship* Brian Doerksen

Call to Worship (*Isaiah 40:28-31*)

Have you not known?

Our God is the everlasting God, Creator of the ends of the earth.

Have you not heard?

God does not faint or grow weary.

Have you not known?

God's understanding is unsearchable.

Have you not heard?

God gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.

Have you not known?

Those who wait for God will renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles.

We come to hear.

We come to know. Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 301 *Let Us Build a House (verses 1 & 2)* TWO OAKS

*Hymn 701 *Sanctuary* John Thompson & Randy Scruggs
**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

*Facing Our Sin and Trusting God's Grace

We cannot hide from you, Everlasting God, even if we were to go from one edge of creation to the next. You speak to us of compassion, but the ways in which we treat others show we have not been listening. You explain your hopes to us, and we act as if we don't have a clue as to what is going on. We run as fast and as far from you as we can, and wonder why we have no energy to follow Jesus. Yet you search for us in all the deserted places we flee to, so you can take us by the hand to show us the way to life with you. You heal our broken hearts so we can offer them to others. You fill us with your strength so we can bind ourselves to Jesus, following him to serve all of your children. In your mercy, hear our prayers...

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

(*All who are able may stand.)

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Passing of the Peace *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* Praise Team

PROCLAMATION

Message for Children *Jesus Loves Me* William B. Bradbury

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Anthem *They Shall Soar Like Eagles* Laura Manzo
Sue Sager, flute

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 40:28-31 Pew Bible, OT, page 628-629
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Word Proclaimed "Who Is Finding Strength?" Bruce Grady

RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed* (pg. 35 in front of hymnal)

Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Moses Hogan

*Doxology (Hymn 607) OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

WE GATHER AT OUR LORD'S TABLE

*Hymn 520 *Taste and See* James E. Moore, Jr.
Refrains – all; Verse 1 – Beth Ware, solo; Verse 2 – Choir; Verse 3 - All

The Invitation to the Table

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
*The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.*

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God...

The Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

(We will take communion this morning by intinction. Come forward by rows. Tear off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and eat. Return to your seat by the outside aisle. Servers will bring the bread and the cup to those unable to come forward.)

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Prayer After Communion

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament, you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

*Hymn 837 *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine* SHOWALTER

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *To Be God's People* arr. Herbert Colvin

Worship Notes

Ushers: Denise Weeks, Henry Burke, Gene Curtis, Louis Alexander
Worship Leaders: Betty Connette, Bruce Grady, Janet Cherry, Van-Anthoney Hall, Sue Sager, Beth Ware, @TheTable Praise Team, Chancel Choir

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