

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

If this is your first time worshiping with us, we want to extend a special word of welcome. You can read our full welcome statement and more at **AbidingPresence.net/corevalues**.

#### Children in Worship

We love children and encourage them to participate in worship through wiggles and giggles. If they aren't in a worshiping mood, our children's corner is located outside of the sanctuary with rocking chairs and toys.

#### Looking for a Church Home?

The pastors will be greeting people following the service and would enjoy the chance to meet you. In case of a pastoral emergency, Pastor Keseley, Senior Pastor, can be reached on her cell phone at 410-599-3803.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 5, 11:00 A.M.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP GATHERING

Prelude

Youth Music Ensemble

Welcome

# \*Thanksgiving for Baptism

Written by Abiding Fellows

- L We gather around the font in the name Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- In the water of your love John baptized Jesus and the apostles answered the call to go out and baptize other disciples. Your Son, Jesus, gave hope to Peter and the disciples as he walked on the stormy waters of Galilee. Give us that hope today. We are grateful for the water that you have created that washes us, nourishes us, and cleanses our sins. We praise you for the nourishing water we drink and for the bodies of water we get to play in both at home and across the globe.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able

We praise you, creator of life, for the gift of water and the lifesaving gift of baptism. All praise, honor, and glory to you through Jesus, together with the Holy Spirit, today and always.

#### C Amen.



Text: Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226; tr. William H. Draper, 1855-1933, alt. Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623

## \*Greeting

- L Alleluia! Christ is risen! C Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!
- L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

## \*Prayer of the Day

## Written by Confirmation

- Let us pray. Oh God, we thank you for guiding us through hard times and teaching us kindness. Awaken and embrace your people. May they be sheltered from evil and keep you in mind when making tough decisions. Watch over us in our daily activities and we pray that you continue to point people to the right path when they struggle through hard times. Through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

### **Senior Reflection**

**Bailey Petersen** 

### Children's Message

# **Abiding Presence Youth**

"May the LORD bless you and keep you. May the LORD smile down on you and show you kindness. May the LORD answer your prayers and give you peace."

Numbers 6:24-26 ERV

## WORD

**Senior Reflection** 

Ben Drake

Scripture Reading—1 John 5:1-6

Pew Bible New Testament Pg. 189

**Senior Reflection** 

Annika Stringer



\*Gospel—John 15:9-17

Senior Reflection

Pew Bible New Testament Pg. 84 Chasya Sivanich



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

## \*Apostles' Creed

C 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, died, 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.

## \*Prayers of Intercession

Written by Confirmation

L Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

### \*Peace

L The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

# **MEAL**



Offering—We invite you to give online at AbidingPresence.net/give

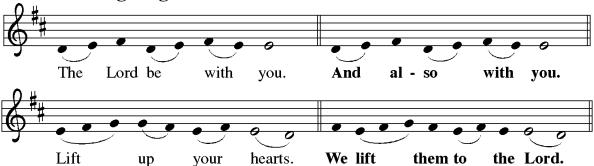
## **Musical Offering**

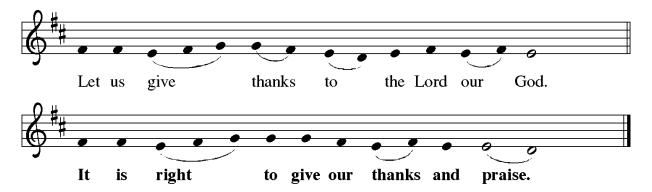
# \*Offering Prayer

# Written by Confirmation

- Let us pray. Father Almighty, you have given us life and strength and you are healer and protector. May the fruits of our labor guide us to you in your salvation. We ask that you lead us on the right path.
- C Amen.

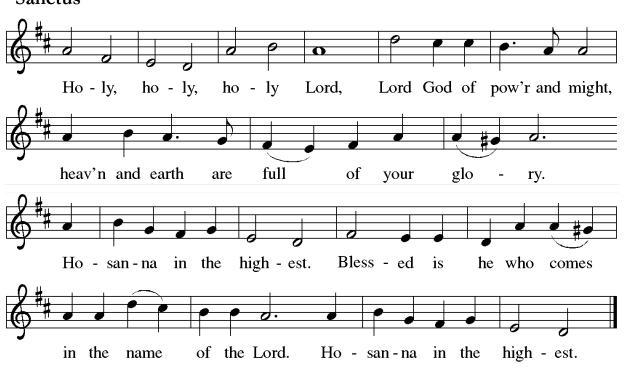
# \*Great Thanksgiving





# \*Proper Preface

#### \*Sanctus



\*Words of Institution

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## \*The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

#### Communion Distribution

forever and ever. Amen.

We believe Holy Communion, the body and blood of Christ, is a gift from God to show us God's love for us. Wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome at the Lord's Table. Children are welcome to communion at any age. If you or your child would prefer to receive a blessing, please let the pastors know when you come forward. "The body of Christ, given for you." \to "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

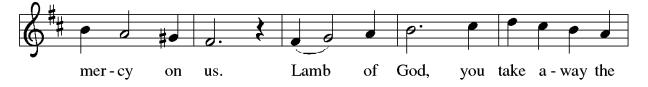
#### Lamb Of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have





### **Distribution Music**

## \*Blessing

- L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

# \*Prayer after Communion

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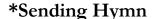
- Let us pray. Lord of steadfast love, you have fed us with your body and blood. Nourish us with this food and give us the strength to help people in need, that they might also have the nourishment they need. In Jesus' name we pray.
- C Amen.

# **SENDING**

### \*Benediction

# Written by Confirmation

- L Father God of forgiveness who watches over us. God the Son who walks with us. God the Holy Spirit forever faithful, stay with us through times of need, bless and keep us now and forever.
- C Amen.



## "Canticle of the Turning"

**ELW 723** 



Myjoy - ful soul cries out with a shout that the Though I small, my . . . am God, all, my you . . .

pow'r From the halls of to the for tress tow'r, not a

Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, work great... things in me, stone will be left on stone. mem - ber who holds us fast:

and my spir - it sings of the and your mer - cy will last from the Let the king be ware for your God's mer - cy must de



bring drous things that you the ones who wait. won to depths of the past the end of the be. to age to tears ev - 'rv his throne. jus tice ty - rant . . . from con - quer - or's liv er us from the crush - ing grasp.



sight You fixed your on your ser - vant's plight, and my Your name puts the proud shame, ver to and to У the The hun gry poor shall . . weep more, for no the This word that our fore - bears heard is sav ing



weak - ness you did not spurn, those who would for yearn, you nev - er food they can earn; prom - ise which holds bound, us

so from east to west shall my you will show your might, put the ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry there are the spear till and rod can be





My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

### \*Dismissal

- L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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