



Abiding Presence Lutheran Church

Connecting people to Christ through Community



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

If this is your first time worshipping 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 worshipping 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 › 9:00 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.**

L 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.

**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.

***Hymn**

“Open The Eyes Of My Heart”

E B/E

O - pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O - pen the eyes of my heart.

A/E E 1. G A

I want to see you; I want to see you.

2. E5 D5 E5 B C#m

To see you high and lift - ed up, shin - ing in the light of your glo - ry. Pour out your pow'r and love,

A B B

as we sing ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly.

C#m A B D.C.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

E B/E

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to see you;

A/E E

***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

L 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

Audrey Storey

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

Adelaide Baird

Scripture Reading—1 John 5:1-6

Pew Bible New Testament Pg. 189

Senior Reflection

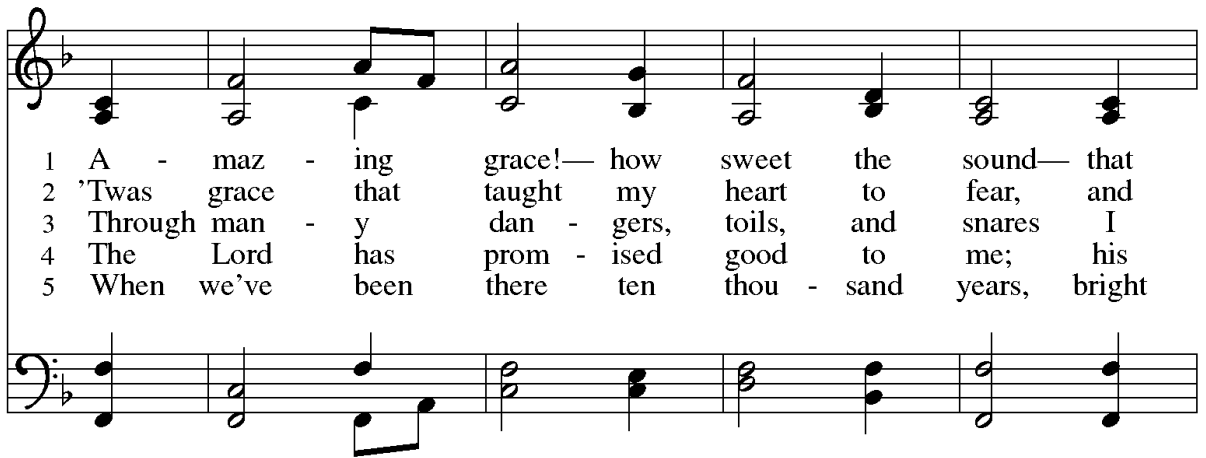
Tyler Anderson

***Gospel—John 15:9-17**

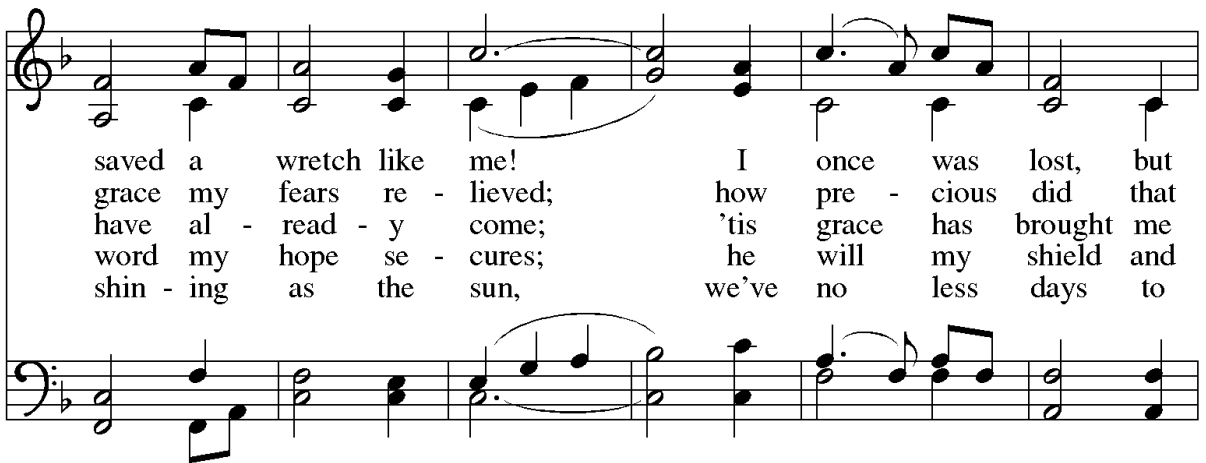
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Senior Reflection

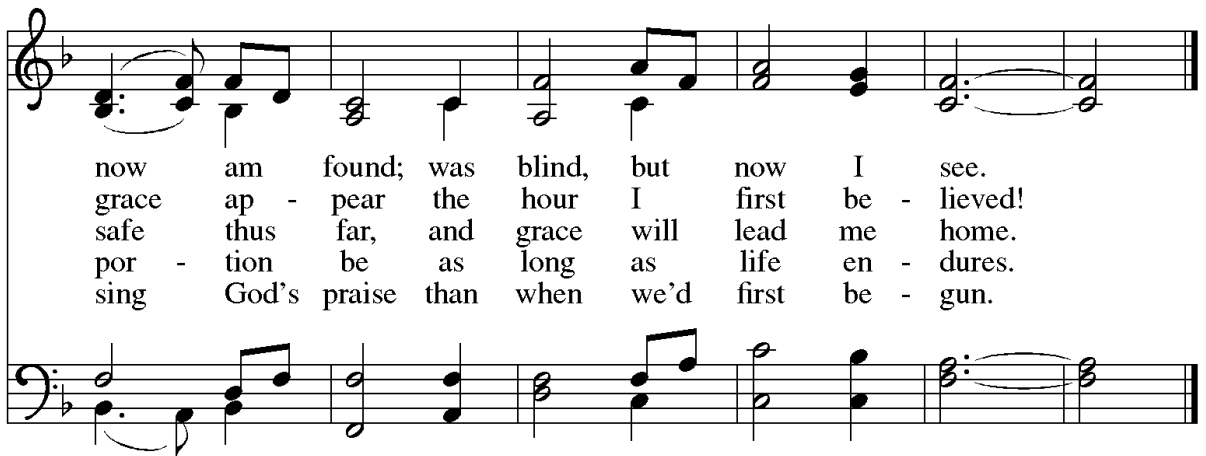
Elizabeth Symolon



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

*Sacrament of Holy Baptism

P In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Sponsors: We present Peter William Kruckenberg for baptism.

P Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Peter William Kruckenberg baptized into Christ?

Parents: I do.

P As you bring Peter William to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Peter William grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Peter William in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Peter William and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C We do.

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C **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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C **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.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that he who is washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Peter William, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, Pe - ter is
 one with Christ our King: one with his ri - sing, freed and for -
 - giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise_ we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b. 1932, alt.
 Music: Gaelic tune

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Peter William with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Peter William, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Let us welcome Peter William.

C **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

***Prayers of Intercession**

L Merciful God,

***Peace**

L The peace of Christ be with you always.

Written by Confirmation

C receive our prayer.

C **And also with you.**

MEAL



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

Musical Offering

*Offering Prayer

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L 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

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Words of Institution

Written by Abiding Fellows

*The Lord's Prayer

C 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

Communion Distribution

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.” ✠ “The blood of Christ, shed for you.”

Distribution Music “All Creatures Of Our God And King”



1. All crea - tures of our God and King,
2. O rush - ing wind and breez - es soft,
3. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless,



lift up your voice and with us sing:
O clouds that ride the winds a - loft: Al - le - lu - ia! al - le -
And wor - ship God in hum - ble - ness.



- lu - ia! O burn - ing sun with gol - den beam,
O ris - ing moon, in praise re - joyce;
Oh, praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son,



And sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam;
O lights of eve - ning find a voice, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
And praise the Spi - rit, three in One.



- lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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*Blessing

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

C Amen.

*Prayer after Communion

Written by Confirmation

L 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.

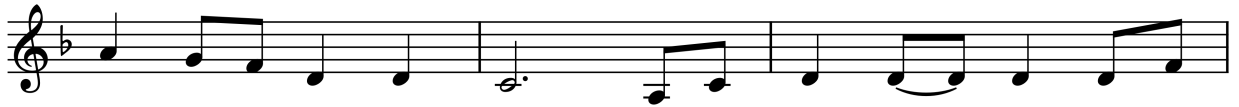
*Sending Hymn

“Canticle of the Turning”

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1 My___ soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my___ God, my all, you___
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a



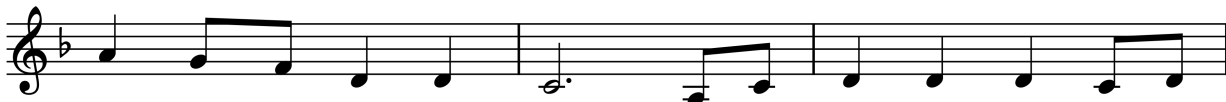
God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You
depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant___ from his throne. The



fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
hun - gry poor shall___ weep no more, for the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry



name be___ blest. Could the world be a - bout to___ turn?
 strong to___ flight, for the world is a - bout to___ turn.
 mouth be___ fed, for the world is a - bout to___ turn.

Refrain



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.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat, © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.
 Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional

***Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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