



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14, 2023

10:00 am

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*please stand as you are able, in body or spirit

Bold indicates congregational response.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the Lord, O people, sing!

Let the sound of praise ring out!

Come and hear what the Lord has done,

The Lord who has made everything!

**1 Make a joyful noise to God!
All creation sings your praise!
Great your wonders here displayed,
unexcelled throughout our days.
Glorious is your sacred name,
ages old, yet still the same.**

**2 Come and see what God has done,
great the blessings to the just:
walked the chosen through the sea,
brought their enemies to dust.
Let us lift a thankful voice
for God's mercies, and rejoice!**

**3 Bless the Lord, our refuge sure;
let our songs of praise be heard!
By whose justice, we are tried;
by whose grace, our guilt deferred.
When our life's sure end shall come,
bring us to your heavenly home.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Loving God, we do not always keep your
commandments; we fail to love you; our conscience is
not clear. Wash us in the water of life that we may live
again through the grace and mercy of Jesus, our
resurrected Savior.**

Silence

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

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In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

THE WORD WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

GOSPEL*– John 14:15-21

Lucian Robinson

OFFERING OF MUSIC *“Lord-Love”*

Adult Choir

NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 17:22-34

SERMON

“I See You Are Religious”

Linda Dickerson

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE* *(from A Declaration of Faith)*

In different styles and ways, believers have related Scripture to the situations in which they lived. The Spirit has given them power and boldness to speak God’s Word through their words. When preaching is faithful and obedient the Holy Spirit uses it to convert unbelievers, to strengthen believers, to form and reform the church.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER

**1 When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus,
and when we’re dying, it is in the Lord.
Both in our living and in our dying,
we belong to God; we belong to God.**

**2 Through all our living, we our fruits must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when receiving,
we belong to God; we belong to God.**

**3 ‘Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain,
when sensing beauty or in love’s embrace,
whether we suffer, or sing rejoicing,
we belong to God; we belong to God.**

**4 Across this wide world, we shall always find
those who are crying with no peace of mind,
but when we help them, or when we feed them,
we belong to God; we belong to God.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE* 742

Congregation and Choir

**We will walk with God, my brothers;
we will walk with God.**

**We will walk with God, my sisters;
we will walk with God.**

**We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.**

POSTLUDE (Please be seated during the Postlude)