

"A person with ubuntu is open and available to others, affirming of others, does not feel threatened that others are able and good, for he or she has a proper self-assurance that comes from knowing that he or she belongs in a greater whole and is diminished when others are humiliated or diminished, when others are tortured or oppressed."

— Desmond Tutu

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 16, 2021

### PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Stephanie Berkin

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sarah Sherman

**CENTERING MUSIC** 

Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

**INTROIT** 

This Is My Prayer

Sarah Sherman, soloist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liz Pruchnicki

**HYMN** 

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PRAYER OF APPROACH & CONFESSION

Rev. Strednak Singer

Holy One,

You are our Rock and our Salvation.

Your Love made flesh,

Which met hatred with love and would not return evil for evil,

Is the foundation upon which life in You is built.

We praise You for the welcome we find in Your everlasting arms.

We praise You for the hope that You hold this world in Your hands.

We praise You for the knowledge that You are as near as our next breath And as close at hand as the need of a neighbor.

We confess that we do not always live up to the words we voice In prayer and song.

We lose perspective.

We are tempted towards anxious grasping and fretting

Which immobilizes rather than energizes us.

We forget that we are instruments of Your peace and love,

Compassion and mercy,

Not directors of all that unfolds in life and the world.

Remind us again that we are called to embrace our Oneness with You,

With one another, and with creation.

Remind us that this whole world belongs to You...

SILENT PRAYER WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear the sound of love poured out.

(The baptismal font is filled. As Christians, we are united in community through the waters of Baptism. Water is poured as a reminder that God claims, forgives, and renews us to live out God's love as a community of faith.)

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouths will declare Your praise.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

#### **GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, Amen.

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM Brethren We Have Met to Worship W. Moore

Brian Wilhour, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE Rev. Strednak Singer

Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29

SERMON "Belonging Together" Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt

### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

HYMN OF RESPONSE In Christ There Is No East or West

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Strednak Singer

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Met to Worship W. Moore

**DOXOLOGY** 

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below:

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Liz Pruchnicki

HYMN OF SENDING

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

"Allegro" from Cornet Voluntary

H. Heron

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