

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

6th Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

You promise to complete us with your joy,
O Christ.

This blessed assurance is ours
as we do what you commanded
and live in the fullness of love.

As you love us,
give us the strength of heart to love one another.

Fuel us with love and joy,
that our petitions might fly to your ear.
May our faith bear fruit pleasing to you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Vince Leseney

The psalmist encourages us to praise God
for all the marvelous things God has done.

**We join with all creation in praise,
for God's love and faithfulness to us is endless.**

We sing because God chooses us
out of God's great love.

**We choose God's love,
which bears us in fullness beyond compare.**

*SONG OF PRAISE

All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name

Hymnal, No. 263

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**O God, whose love knows no bounds,
forgive us when we fail to reflect your loving kindness.
When we turn away from the goodness of your love,
call us back with the tender voice of a caring friend.
When we stumble over the gift of your grace,
lift us up with the strong arms of a loving parent.
When we are certain that we are alone in the chaos of this world,
shower us with peace, the gentle breeze of an evening rain.
When we cannot feel the flowing of your peace,
show us your love with the hands and feet of Christ, your love incarnate.
Forgive us, risen Christ, of all the ways we fall short,
and teach us to be agents of resurrection in the world.**

(Time of silent reflection)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory to God

Hymnal, No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen (x3)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Donna Vint

SCRIPTURE READING

I John 5:1-6

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The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 98

O sing to the Lord a new song,

for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm

have gained him victory.

The Lord has made known his victory;

he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen

the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands;

let the hills sing together for joy

at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming

to judge the earth.

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND BREAKING THE BREAD

...So now, in gratitude, we join our voices to those of the Church on earth and in heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord God, as we come to share the richness of your table,
we cannot forget the rawness of the earth.

We cannot take bread and forget those who are hungry.
Your world is one world and we are stewards of its nourishment.

**Lord, put our prosperity
at the service of the poor.**

We cannot take wine and forget those who are thirsty.
The ground and the rootless,
the earth and its weary people cry out for justice.

**Lord, put our fullness
at the service of the empty.**

We cannot hear your words of peace and forget the world at war
or, if not at war, then preparing for it.

**Show us quickly, Lord, how to turn weapons into welcome signs
and the lust for power into a desire for peace.**

We cannot celebrate the feast of your family and forget our divisions.
We are one in spirit, but not in fact.
History and hurt still dismember us.

Lord, heal your church in every brokenness...

...Take this—all of you—to remember me.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

Look, here is your Lord coming to you in bread and wine.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG In Christ there is no East or West Hymnal, No. 318

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Communion liturgy is from A Wee Worship Book, Fourth Incarnation published by Wild Goose Worship Group. WGWG is part of the Iona Community out of Scotland.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for May 12: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19.

The Food & Shelter items of the month for May are shampoo & conditioners. **Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.**

Hearing-assistance devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

Envelope Fundraiser!

We are raising money to assist our children and youth in attending camps and conferences. You'll find envelopes decorated by our Kids' Club in the hallway off the sanctuary. You can take one or more envelopes; the idea is to give the amount that is on the envelope. Giving more is also an option!

Samuel McCann will be hosting a Bible study in the library on the letters of Paul in the New Testament. While paying attention to Paul's historical context we will try to pursue what his contribution to Scripture means for how we understand the Gospel for our life today. We will begin May 14 at 6 pm in the library and will not meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month so session members are free to join.

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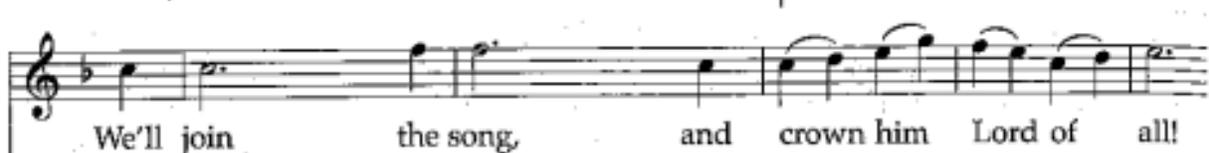
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4 O that with yon - der sa - cred thron'g we at his feet may fall!



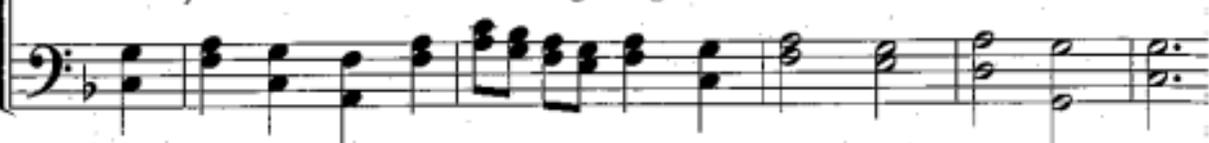
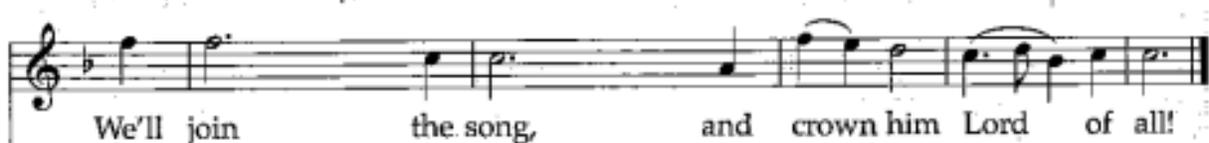
- 1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
- 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
- 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
- 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred thron'g we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!



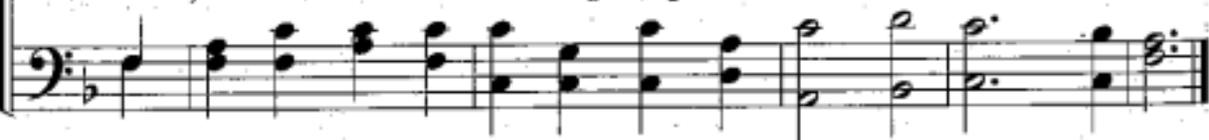
bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

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203 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Capo 3: (D) (A7)
Refrain F C7

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show

(D) (D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F F/A Gm7 C7 F *Fine*

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)
 F Dm Gm C

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
 3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

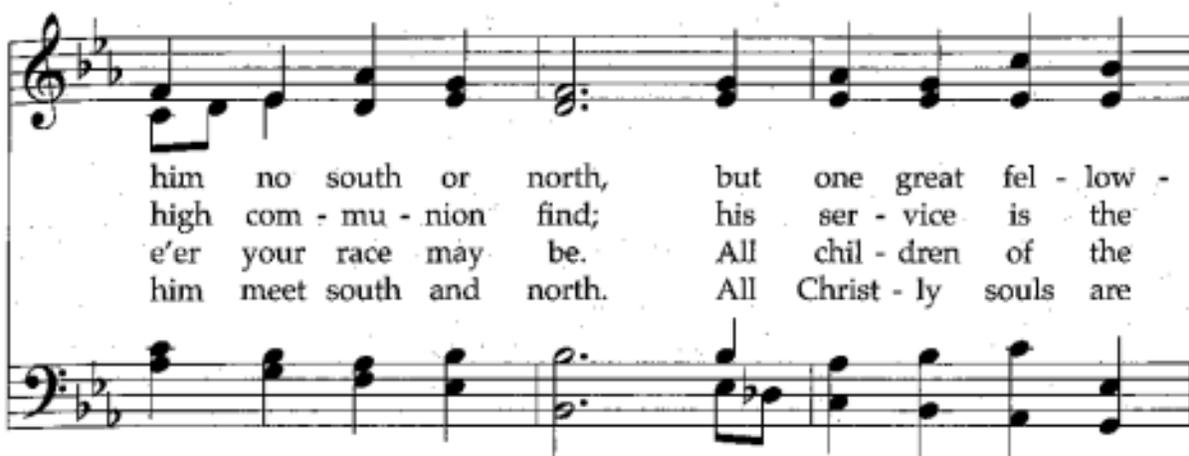
(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F Dm Gm7 C7 F *to Refrain*

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 race; neigh-bors are near us and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 feet; this is the way we should live like you.

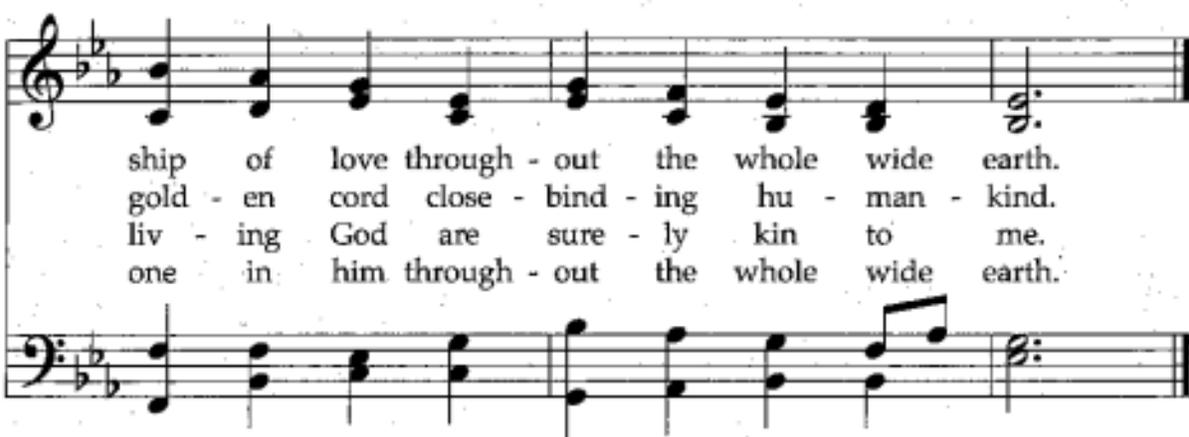
In Christ There Is No East or West 318



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in



him no south or north, but one great fel - low -
high com - mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
e'er your race may be. All chil - dren of the
him meet south and north. All Christ - ly souls are



ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
one in him through - out the whole wide earth.