

*Virtual Worship Service for the Lord's Day
The Sixth Sunday of The Easter Season, May 22,
2022*

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Welcome and Church Family News (PDF attachment)

Choral Call to Worship # 20 *Jesus, Name Above All Names* (Songs of Worship)

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<https://youtu.be/JEBAHFFJdW8> - sung by Bill Batstone

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Lord, I praise your name
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Call to Worship:

Brothers and sisters, come and worship!

For we are a chosen people, royal priests, a holy nation. God's very own family!

Let us proclaim together the goodness of God,

who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light!

Hymn of Praise # 625 *O Lord My God*

Sing along with the congregation of Westminster Cathedral: https://youtu.be/PdE_NKyY_o0

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:

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And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin: [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration,

and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

Call to Confession:

The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrongs, but also an opportunity to receive God's mercy and share in that abundant grace. Confident of God's love for us, let us confess our brokenness before God and one another.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

God of all creation, you are pure and holy. You created a perfect environment and beautiful beings for your pleasure. Yet, we find ourselves in an imperfect world, and we confess that the sin in our own lives separates us from your will and your ways. Forgive us, Lord, for making choices contrary to your purposes, for refusing to live by your guidance, for failing to trust that your ways lead to abundance and joy! Give us the power through your Holy Spirit to turn from our willfulness and trust you with our whole lives (moment of silent confession). Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

In Christ Jesus we are a radically renewed community.

Thanks be to God!

Old things are done away with, all things become new.

Thanks be to God!

We are agents of grace and reconciliation.

Thanks be to God!

With every step or stumble, Christ will be with us.

Thanks be to God!**Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 621 *I Will Call upon the Lord*****I WILL CALL**

<https://youtu.be/qWS5pkwu3r8> - Extended Life Worship

I will call upon the Lord (ECHO)**Who is worthy to be praised (ECHO)****So shall I be saved from my enemies (ECHO)**

The Lord liveth And blessed be my Rock

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First Lesson: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.

Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me,

take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.

Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

Special Music: *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness***CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT**

<https://youtu.be/kt3Qc04ulOM>

Second Lesson: John 14:1-14

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Sermon: “The Way Home” (PDF attachment)

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Affirmation of Faith (adapted from Mustard Seed As:sociates)

**We believe in God above us,
Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.**

**We believe in Christ beside us,
Companion and friend, redeemer of all the broken pieces of our universe.**

**We believe in Spirit deep within us,
Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.**

**We believe in God’s resurrection world,
Where all things are made whole, and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.**

**We believe in God above, beside, within,
God yesterday, today and forever, the three in one, the one in three,**

We believe in God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen.

Hymn of Meditation # 694 *Great God of Every Blessing*

AURELIA

<https://youtu.be/9jmQZATK0x4> - Grosse Pointe Memorial Church (Michigan) Virtual Choir

**Great God of every blessing,
of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness,
the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you?
Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.**

**Your Word is our salvation,
the source of endless grace,
in death and life extending
your covenant embrace.
In Christ we are one body;
each member has a part:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.**

**Your Spirit is our teacher,
the light that guides our search,
transforming broken people
into the holy church.
For feeding us with mercy,
for wisdom you impart:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.**

Prayers of the People:

Lord God, we give you thanks for all your gifts to us—
for daily food, for health, for each breath we take, for freedom to choose,
and for the gifts of your word, your power and your love.
Our hearts are truly overwhelmed, O God,
when we consider how you have entrusted so much to us.
May we be worthy of that trust—
may we be a people who are unafraid to live as fully and as richly
as you want us to live.

Help us, O God, as followers of Jesus, to multiply all that you have given us,
to risk spreading your word and perhaps see it misunderstood,
to gamble by loving those whom others think worthy only of hate,
to take chances by doing good to those who have not done good to us.
Help us be faith filled and desire to increase your glory and your goodness in this world.
Make us people who share in both word and deed that which you have given to us.

We pray for the church gathered today, both here and around the world,
that it may encourage all of its members to discover, develop and use all their gifts,
the gifts you have blessed them with.
We pray for those who are suffering in body, mind, or in spirit,
for those oppressed and heavy laden, for those sick or in despair, especially_____
May your healing hand be upon them and may we provide your healing and hope
to family, friends, and those who cross our path in life.
We offer all our prayers to you and share in the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray:
Our Father...Amen.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:

Each day, God finds the way that we need to be loved and challenged, and then calls us to minister to others in warm hospitality, healing mercies, and the promise of resurrection and new life. We respond to this marvelous call through our giving this day. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

Doxology # 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

<https://youtu.be/JiMZprhxZw4> - A Cappella Hymns

**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.**

Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:

Pour your Spirit upon these gifts, O God. Send them into the world as a sign and song of your joyous work of love. Use them to call and welcome into your house of love all who are your friends and our brothers and sisters. Amen.

Closing Hymn # 546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

SICILIAN MARINERS

<https://youtu.be/aGzMd1i92lo> - Grosse Pointe Memorial Church (Michigan) Virtual Choir

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration
for your gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
to your truth may we be found.

Savior, when your love shall call us,
from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us,
glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with you in endless day.

Charge and Benediction:

We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.
So, step out into the world in humble confidence:
there is nothing about to happen that God has not foreseen,
and no situation where Christ will not be there ahead of you,
preparing a place and an opportunity for you.

Thanks be to God.

The peace of God, which goes beyond all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge of God, and of Jesus Christ, God's Son.
And the blessing of God all-loving,
the Creator, Redeemer and Counselor,
will be with you now and always. **Amen!**

Postlude: *I'll Fly Away*

Performed by Alabama: <https://youtu.be/grV3zPU7kdc>