

SENDING

- *Hymn “Light Dawns on a Weary World” Hymnal #79
- *Benediction
- *Congregational Response “*For Thine Is the Kingdom*”
 For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever! Amen.
- *Postlude

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Please rise in body or spirit, where you see an asterisk. *

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER & COMMUNION SUNDAY SERVICE OF WORSHIP MAY 7, 2023 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Music for Meditation “*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*” J. Rodriguez

Welcome

Words for Preparation:

“*God looked over everything he had made; it was so good, so very good!*” Genesis 1:31 (The Message)

*Gathering Song

“*Come and See*”

*Come and see the glory of the Lord. Come behold the Lamb.
Come and know the mercy of the King, bowing down before Him.
For He is Lord above the heavens, Lord of all the earth.
Lord of all the angels, worthy to be served.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Choral Introit

“*Holy, Holy Lord*”

J. Owens

Call to Worship (From *Praying with the Earth*)

Paula Carmack

Leader: Blessed are those who know their need

All: **for theirs is the grace of heaven.**

Leader: Blessed are those who weep

All: **for their tears will be wiped away.**

Leader: Blessed are the humble

All: **for they are close to the sacred earth.**

Leader: Blessed are those who hunger for earth’s oneness

All: **for they will be satisfied.**

Leader: Blessed are the forgiving
All: **for they are free.**
Leader: Blessed are the clear in heart
All: **for they see the Living Presence.**
Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers
All: **for they are born of God.**

***Hymn** *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* Hymnal #14

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Leader: In sovereign love, God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, to live as one community. But we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's teaching through prophets and apostles, we violate the image of God in each other and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. In honesty and with a desire to grow, we turn to God and rely on God's grace.

Prayer of Confession

All: Loving God, you created the earth, filled it with your glory, and called it good. You made us in your image and entrusted us with caring for your good and glorious creation. We confess that we have neglected that calling. Worse - our violence, waste, and greed endanger the very world you made. Have mercy on us, O God. Pour out your abundant grace to refresh the parched earth, to restore the beauty of your creation, and to replenish our resolve to serve you as faithful caretakers of the world you so love. Amen.
(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus said to the woman at the well, "Everyone who drinks of this water will become thirsty again. But those who drink of the water that I will give them will never thirst again. The water that I give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." Friends, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Response** *"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.

PROCLAIMING

Choir Anthem *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

Sermon on the Steps

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson (NRSV)

Genesis 3:1-24

Leader: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *"Paying Attention, Facing Limits"*

Rev. Sam Codington

RESPONDING

***Hymn** *"The Rice of Life"*

Hymnal #524

***Apostles' Creed**

Communion

Invitation

Prayer of thanksgiving

Words of institution

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

***Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

All: Loving God, you have filled the earth with splendor. Form our hearts with love for the world you have made, making us attentive to the vibrancy all around. Form our hearts with care for rivers, marshes, and wildernesses. Make us faithful caretakers, we pray, amen.