

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME AND PRESENCE

GATHERING MUSIC *Premier Livre d'orgue, Suite 1* Nicolas Antoine Lebègue
(Selected movements)

WELCOME AND CENTERING SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* **UNISON INTROIT** (Hymn 485, v. 1)
*We know that Christ was raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold.
And our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia.*

* **OPENING SENTENCES** Joel Egertson
May the grace and peace of the Risen Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
Christ has been raised and will never die again. Death has no power over him.
Blessed are those who have not seen but have come to believe.
Christ the Lord is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia. Amen.

* **HYMN 248** "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" HYMN TO JOY

* **ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**
Beloved in Christ: God is with us!
We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION
Merciful Lord, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; in things we have done and left undone. We do not always love you with all our heart and mind and strength. We have failed to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Help us to choose your good and perfect will, forgiven, and set free to begin again. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:43-47 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.120)

ANTHEM *Love Not The World (The Prodigal Son)* Arthur Sullivan
Lucie Freeman, mezzo-soprano
Love not the world, nor the things that are in the world. For the world passeth away and the lust thereof. But they that doeth the will of God abideth forever.

* **GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 24:13-22, 28-35 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.90)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SUNG BLESSING (Hymn 187, v. 4)
*Early let us seek your favor; early let us do your will.
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us; love us still.
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SERMON "Table Messages" Dr. Butler
"They shared with the others what happened to them on the road and what had been made known to them at the table."

WE PRAY AND GATHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

* **HYMN 504** "We Come As Guests Invited" WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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.

NEWS OF OUR LIFE AND MINISTRY

OFFERTORY

Antiphon II

Marcel Dupré

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

*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.*

* INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

* HYMN 516

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

KINGDOM

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* DEPARTING MUSIC

Veni Creator-Toccata

Jeanne Demessieux

The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship, service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

10 a.m.
