

Order of Worship – 2nd Sunday after Easter

26 April, 2020

Prelude: *He Is Lord with When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Meditation Prayer

We call on you, O God, for you have offered us the cup of salvation and welcomed us into your family. How can we thank you for the love you have shown us in the risen Christ? Meet us again in this hour that we may grow in faith and be responsive to your truth. Fill us with hope, renewing our confidence to face life in faithful trust and obedience. Amen.

Announcements

Call to contemplation: *In Our Homes We Meet to Worship* (Karin Foley, Soprano)

Call to Worship (responsively)

L: Stay with us Lord, for the day is far spent.

C: **And we have not yet recognized your face in each of our brothers and sisters.**

L: Stay with us Lord, for the day is far spent.

C: **And we have not yet shared your bread in grace with our brothers and sisters.**

L: Stay with us Lord, for the day is far spent.

C: **And we have not listened to your Word in the words of our brothers and sisters.**

ALL: **Stay with us Lord, because our very night becomes day when you are here.**

Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

God of amazing good news, who exalted Jesus as Leader and Savior, open to us the scriptures. Talk to us along life's way, meet us as we break bread together in our homes and here, and move us in worship to claim your promises. Open our eyes and quicken our hearts, that we may be about your mission of sharing the good news with both disciples and strangers. May our witness lead others to obedience and new life. Amen.

Scripture Reading **Hebrews 11:1-3**

Sermon **Confirmation Paper Presentation: Catherine Ventura**

Anthem *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry* (Karin Foley, Soprano)

Offertory Invitation

Offertory *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

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 Dedication (in unison)

O God, our hearts are burning with amazement because of all the ways you have blessed us. May the astonishing news of Easter inspire our witness, filling our offerings with love for all your people. Let our way of life be so attractive that many will be moved to join us at Christ's table to experience the mystery of broken bread and shared cup, in Jesus' name. Amen.

A Time of Silent Prayer Pastoral, and The Lord's Prayer

Musical Response

Hymn *My God Accept My Heart This Day*

Benediction

Postlude *Bless the Lord, O My Soul with Take the Name of Jesus With You*