

April 28, 2024

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 AM

We Listen for God's Voice

PRELUDE "Come Now to the Water" Durene Cartelli

GREETING

A TIME FOR SHARING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!
And also with you!

We Seek God

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the wilderness, water brings life.

Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.

In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.

In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes us.

Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.

Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity. Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

HYMN OF PRAISE "I Danced in the Morning" Hymn #157

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of the Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promises of baptism and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us, that we may abide in your love and live out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray

SILENT PRAYER

Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Thanks be to God.

GLORIA PATRI "Yours Is the Kingdom" on screen

NEW TESTAMENT

Acts 8:26-40

PRAYER HYMN "Like a Murmur of the Dove Song" Hymn #285

EPISTLE LESSON 1 John 04: 07-21

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:01-08

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Abide in Me" Pastor Karen Williams

TIME FOR REFLECTION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Receive God's Blessings

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY "We are An Offering"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN "For the Life You Have Given" Hymn #717

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" Durene Cartelli

* Please stand if you are able.

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WED: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.,

THU: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.,

FRI: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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