

Worship Outline – May 10, 2020 (5th Sunday of Easter)

Prelude

The Peace May be Exchanged

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Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation
With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing
An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing
As with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band
To God all praise and glory!

Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part
To God all praise and glory!

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, in baptism you claim us as beloved children and send us out as witnesses to your love. At times we forget we bear the mark of your grace and act as if it has no impact on our lives. You call us to the risky work of justice and peace, but we default to what is comfortable and safe. You call us to ministries of generosity and compassion, but we make little room for gestures of mercy beyond brief moments of spontaneous kindness. Wash us again with your grace and transform us by your Word, that we might proclaim your good news in word and deed. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Passing of the Peace

During this time, we invite you to pass the peace by texting a fellow church member, family member, friend, relative, or loved one, "May the peace of Christ be with you."

First Reading – Numbers 18:1-7

Anthem

Let Everything that Hath Breath

(Jeffery Ames)

UTK Concert Choir

Conducted by: Dr. Lindsey Cope

Soloist: Karen Wemhoener

Accompanists: Melony Dodson & Paul Davis

Sing unto the Lord a new song

Sing unto the Lord all the earth

Declare his glory among the nations

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord

Magnify the Lord with me and exalt his name together

Hallelujah! Bless his name for he's worthy to be praised

Clap your hands all ye people, shout with a voice of triumph

For the mighty Lord is great and greatly to be praised

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord

Come on and praise the Lord, let's all praise his name

Praise him with the timbrel, praise him with the dance

Stand upon your feet and just lift up holy hands

Sing "Hallelujah," praise his holy name

For the Lord is worthy to be praised

Let's praise the Lord, let's praise the Lord

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord

You oughta, you oughta praise him!

Second Reading – 1 Peter 2:1-10

Homily

Affirmation of Faith – *from* The Confession of 1967

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call. Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world. The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or in play, in private or in the life of society. Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of his or her witness in each particular situation.

Offering Our Lives to God

Give Me Jesus

(arr. Mark Hayes)

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

The People Respond: Amen!

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