



Virtual Worship - May 10, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude and Silent Meditation

Pastorale in F, BWV 590: I Bach (1685-1750)

Roger Daggy, organist at First

Let Us Prepare our Hearts

Rev. Dr. Wray Sherman, pastor at Hermitage

Welcome, Announcements, and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship (from Psalm 31)

In you, O LORD, we seek refuge; do not let us ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver us.

You are indeed our rock and our fortress; for your name's sake lead us and guide us,

Take us out of the net that is hidden for us, for you are our refuge.

Let your face shine upon your servants; save us in your steadfast love.

The Hymn of Praise

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks
Maximilian, Kimberlea and Roger Daggy

Alleluia no. 1

Let Us Confess

Glenn Fields, elder at Second

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we cover our ears to your commandments, choosing instead to carry out plans that cause suffering and inflict pain on others. We neglect to heed your instructions to care for the vulnerable and uphold the weak. Out of fear and selfishness we grab and hoard resources meant to be shared and distributed. In this season of uncertainty, we are tempted to seek control through self-protection rather than surrendering ourselves to you and trusting your promise to never abandon us. Forgive our unwillingness to listen to your Word and do your work. Hear our confession and grant us mercy. Amend our ways and help us to walk more closely with you. (Silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Sung Response

Glory to God

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen. World without end, without end, Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen.

Maximilian and Roger Daggy, First

Let Us Hear the Word

Children's Sermon *Lindsey Coyner, Augusta County teacher and Westminster member*

Anthem *Mother's Day Song Micheal Hodgson & Justina McHale
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Old Testament Reading Proverbs 16:9
Sermon Make Good Choices
Rev. April Cranford, pastor at Westminster

Let Us Respond to the Word

Rev. Dr. Henry D. Scoggins, pastor at Smyrna

Affirmation of Faith (The 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, dead, 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.

Prayers for 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.

Offering

Offertory Here I Am, Lord John Carter
Bettie and Mattie Tindall, pianists, Westminster

The Doxology Old 100th
Bettie, John & Mattie Tindall with Sue Wright, organist, Westminster

Prayer of Dedication *Jen Jones, elder at First Presbyterian*

Let Us Go and Serve the Lord

Closing Hymn Blest Be the Tie that Binds Dennis
Tim Teachey, John Reynolds, John Tindall, and Rick McKibben; Sue Wright, organist

Charge and Benediction *Rev. April Cranford, pastor at Westminster*

Postlude Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain arr. McDonald
Sue Wright, organist, Westminster

Lyrics to Hymns and Anthem

Alleluia no. 1

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the Risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's Name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth, Jesus has
died and has risen.

<Refrain>

Come let us praise the Living God, Joyfully sing to
our Savior.

<Refrain>

Mother's Day Song

by Micheal Hodgson and Justina McHale

When I was young, you gave me ways to write my
best stories
Now I'm singing for myself
In me you believed in, gave me courage for the
crowds
To the people in this town I always was a little shy
Even as a little child you saw me shining like a star
For on this day is Mother's Day
As I grew up, you let me fail
Or so I believed that
Now I'm thinking for myself
You are my ballast
Kept me steady through the storms
Of the people in this town
There never was a second best
Even in a million years there never was a mother
like this
For you I thank God this Mother's Day
Oh I need you just like the earth needs the moon
You are the stars that guide my eyes
You always led me to the light
For you I sing this Mother's Day
Now on my own I miss those times together
Reflection in the mirror
I see myself in you
Of the people in this town there never was a second
best
Never in a million years
There never was a mother like this
For you I sing this Mother's Day

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

2 Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.

3 We share our mutual woes,
each other's burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

4 When we are called to part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.