

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 12, 2019
11:00 A.M.

Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE "Somebody's Knocking at Your Door" arr. Mark S. Arnold
Central Bells; Ryan McGee, cajon

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED
Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance Card as it is passed.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

This is God's house – a place of peace where we befriend one another in the name of Christ. Greet those around you as a sign of God's peace and Christ's friendship.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, God gathers us for worship, like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

All: Our God, loving, nurturing.

One: In love, God saves and supports us, teaching us the way we should go.

All: Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 139

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Her Children Call Her Blessed" Daniel Barta
Central Children's Choir

"Where Children Belong" (congregation sings)

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong. This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

HYMN "Gift of Love" No. 408

UNISON PRAYER

Loving and Faithful God, Creator of every good gift, we thank you that you meet us here and now, just as you met our mothers and father in faith long ago. We praise you for entering human life and history in Jesus Christ, who showed your way to sisters and brothers in faith then and who guides our way still today. Help us to open our hearts to you in this time of prayer, that we may grow in love toward you and toward all your people by the grace-filled leading of your Spirit. We ask this in trust and anticipation. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Carol of the Mother"

Austin Lovelace

soloist: Susan Steele

When Jesus was a little thing, his mother in her hood of blue, called to him through the dusk of spring, "Jesus, where are you?" Caught in the gust of whirling bloom, she stood a moment at the door, and lit the candle in the room, in its pink earthen bowl of yore. He saw, dim in the half-lit air, as one sees folk within a glass, his mother with a candle there. When he a weary man became, I think, as he went to and fro, he heard her calling just the same, across the dusk of long ago. For men were tired that had been bold; and strange indeed they should befall, one day so hot, one day so cold, but mothers never change at all.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 31: 15-17; Psalm 90 (selected verses) (OT p. 734; 547)

Leader: The Word of God. **All: For the People of God.** Leader: Thanks be to God.

The Resurrection Shaped Life:

SERMON

"Mending Loss and Grief"

BRINGING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"Music In My Mother's House"

Scott

Vocal Quartet: Marcy Branski, Joan Brown, Jeannette Tavener, Candice Wallace

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT "O Lord, May Church and Home Combine"

No. 695

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Namaste"

Diane Clark

*POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigrid Karg-Elert

*You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as part of your worship experience.
(If you choose to exit the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly. Thank you.)*

*All who are comfortable standing are invited to stand.