

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

May 12th, 2019

4th Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

11:00 am

*\*\*Please feel free to stand as you are able.*

*Thank you for worshipping with us today! We consider your presence with us a blessing from God. You are encouraged to greet one another in friendship and love. When the Chiming of the Hour starts, you are invited to prepare yourself for the worship of God.*

**GATHERING****Ringling of the Bell****Chiming of the Hour - Westminster Chimes****Welcome & Announcements** *(please pass the friendship pad)***\*\*Passing of the Peace**

Pastor: . . . may the peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.***Gathering Song** *"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

*Blest be the tie that binds  
Our hearts in Chris-tian love:  
The fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds  
Is like to that a-bove.*

**Prelude****WE APPROACH GOD****\*\*Call to Worship** *(Thom Shuman)*

Pastor: Day by day, God leads us:

**People:** *to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green, lush lawns of grace.*

Pastor: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

**People:** *to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.*

Pastor: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

**People:** *the community we could be, the family we are called to become.***\*\*Hymn of Adoration 803** *"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"***\*\*Prayer of Adoration****Preparation for Confession** Eli English**Hymn of Preparation 735** *"I Need Thee Every Hour" (verse 1)*

*I need thee every hour,  
most gracious Lord;  
no tender voice like thine  
can peace afford.*

*Refrain*

*I need thee, O I need thee,  
every hour I need thee!  
O bless me now, my Savior—  
I come to thee!*

**Call to Confession****Prayer of Confession****Silent Confession****Assurance of Forgiveness****\*\*Celebration of God's Grace** *"Hallelujah"*

*Your love is a-maz-ing, stead-y and un-chang-ing.  
Your love is a moun-tain, firm be-neath my feet.  
Your love is a mys-t'ry, how You gent-ly lift me.  
When I am sur-round-ed Your love car-ries me.*

*Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah,  
Your love makes me sing.*

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*Your love is sur-pris-ing, I can feel it ris-ing,  
all the joy that's grow-ing deep in-side of me.  
Ev-'ry time I see You all Your good-ness shines through.  
I can feel this God song ris-ing up in me.*

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Your love makes me sing.*

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**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD****Call to the Young People****Conversation with the Young People****Anthem** *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*  
Sanctuary Choir**Prayer of Illumination****Epistle Reading: Acts 9:36-43**

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God!***Sermon** *"An Uncanny Imitation"*  
Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD****\*\*Hymn of Reflection 695** *"Change My Heart, O God" (sing twice)***Invitation to Share****Reception of Tithes & Offerings****\*\*Doxology 606****\*\*Prayer of Dedication****Mother's Day Litany** (Amy Young, adapted by Pastor Kelly-Ann)

Pastor: To those who are moms, foster moms, mentor moms, and spiritual moms,

**People:** *We thank you! We need you. We appreciate you!*

Pastor: To those who are pregnant with new life,

**People:** *We anticipate with you and pray for a healthy pregnancy and birth.*

Pastor: To those who gave birth this year to their first child,

**People:** *We celebrate with you!*

Pastor: To those who experienced loss of a child this year through illness, miscarriage, failed adoptions, or accidents,

**People:** *We mourn with you.*

**Pastor:** To those who walk the hard path of infertility, fraught with pokes, prods, tears, hopes that are dashed and suffer disappointment,

**People:** *We walk with you.*

**Pastor:** To those who experienced abuse at the hands of your own mother,

**People:** *We acknowledge your experience. We are sad with you. We hope for your healing.*

**Pastor:** To those who are caring for their mothers in the midst of medical needs,

**People:** *May God sustain you.*

**Pastor:** To those whose mother died this year or in years past,

**People:** *We grieve with you. Peace to you.*

**Pastor:** This Mother's Day, everyday, we all walk together as the family of God. All are valued. All make a difference. For the mothers present and represented among us, we give thanksgiving today,

**People:** *For their love, encouragement and strength, we thank the Lord.*

**Pastor:** Drawn together by the Spirit, we join with others as one family in worship, in prayer, in praise, in company.

**People:** *Let us love one another as God first loved us.*

### SENDING

**\*\*Hymn of Sending 324** *"For All the Faithful Women"*

**\*\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*\*Congregational Response 803**

*"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" (verse 3)*  
**The sure provisions of my God**  
*attend me all my days;*  
**O may your house be my abode,**  
*and all my work be praise.*  
**There would I find a settled rest,**  
*while others go and come;*  
**no more a stranger, or a guest,**  
*but like a child at home.*

**\*\* Postlude**

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