

**THE ORDER FOR THE
WORSHIP OF GOD AT
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10:30 AM ~ May 2, 2021**

PRELUDE

“Verset”

Léon Boëllmann

WELCOME & GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are here today because the weeping Mary of Magdala once said:

ALL: “I have seen the Lord!”

One: We are here because Jesus still comes into our locked spaces and says:

ALL: “Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit.”

One: We are here today like doubting Thomas who finally cried:

ALL: “My Lord and my God.”

One: We are here like Peter, tempted to forget the call of Jesus:

ALL: “I’m going fishing.”

One: We’re here this morning because of Jesus, who asks us face-to-face:

ALL: “Do you truly love me?”

One: We gather here to whisper timidly.

ALL: “Yes, Lord, you know that we love you.”

One: We are here as a congregation only

because many faithful disciples have listened to Jesus’ words:

ALL: “Do not be afraid. Do not be afraid!

Go and tell, ‘Jesus has been raised!’”

*HYMN #804

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

2 With voice as full and strong
as ocean’s surging praise,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old,
the psalms of ancient days. (Refrain)

3 Yes, on through life’s long path,
still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day,
in gladness and in woe:

4 At last the march shall end;
the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. (Refrain)

5 Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King. (Refrain)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Lord, save us from ourselves. We continue to do the same things over and over, expecting different results. Lord, save us from doing too much. We go fishing every day, not noticing you waiting with a meal on the beach. Lord, save us from doing too little. We say we love you, and yet so often we neglect your sheep. Lord, save us from ourselves. Help us to hear and respond when you say, "Follow Me."

(A moment for silent meditation and confession.)

KYRIE ELEISON



Music by Healey Willan © 1928 Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net License #A-725163

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE PEACE

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn #581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Nicene Creed"

(Ecumenical)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(* In this context, the word "catholic" means "universal")

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

"Jesus Calls Us" Early American Hymn, arr. K. Lee Scott
Sanctuary Choir 2018; Jiha Choi, Organ

FIRST READING

John 10:11-18

SECOND READING

John 21:15-25

SERMON

"Sheepish"

Rev. Ashley A. Hood

COMMUNION HYMN #498 *"Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"*
Copyright © 2006 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net License #A-725163

1 Loaves were broken, words were spoken
by the Galilean shore.
Jesus, Bread of Life from heaven,
was their food forevermore.
By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

2 Loaves were broken, words were spoken
in a quiet room one night.
In the bread and wine you gave them,
Christ, you came as Light from Light.
By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

3 Loaves are broken, words are spoken,
as in faith we gather here.
Jesus speaks across the ages:
"I am with you; do not fear!"
By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

4 By the loaves you break and give us,
send us in your name to share
bread for which the millions hunger,
words that tell your love and care.
By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: For it is right to give the Almighty both our thanks and praise.

One: Let us pray....

ALL: "Sanctus"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, —
Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. —
Ho - san - na in the high - est!

The Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Wine

God is present in this sacrament in ways that remain a mystery to us. In this sacrament God connects us to one another beyond our understanding, location and time. The pastor will invite you to hold up your bread, break and eat, and then to hold up your cup and drink. If you are on Zoom, you are holding them up in proclamation for all to see. If you are worshipping with another, then it is a good thing to serve one another saying, "The bread of heaven for you!" and "The cup of salvation for you!"

Prayer of Christian Unity:

ALL: O God, send us out from our Lord's table to answer his summons into new life and to follow him with joy and gladness. Set our feet in his holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life and all we do may show forth his love. Amen.

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

HYMN #726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Copyright © 1987 WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.). All rights reserved. OneLicense.net License #A-725163

1 “Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”

2 “Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?”

3 “Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?”

4 “Will you love the ‘you’ you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?”

5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Footsteps of Jesus”

Asa B. Everett; arr. Steven K. Tedesco

Copyright © 2008 by Hal Leonard Corporation International Copyright Secured. All rights reserved. OneLicense.net License #A-725163

**Congregation standing or seated*

The liturgy today is reprinted by permission from the Mennonite Church Canada website.
http://resources.mennonitechurch.ca/FileDownload/15173/Easter_Call_to_Worship.pdf
and from Rev. Nathan Decker. Posted on the United Methodist Church’s **General Board of Discipleship** website.
<http://www.gbod.org/> and from the Book of Common Worship, © 2018 Westminster John Knox Press.
All rights reserved.