



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

**Service for the Lord's Day
May 24, 2020**



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Ascension of the Lord

May 24, 2020

10:00 a.m.

SPEND TIME

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Centering Prayer

Hymn #205

Live in Charity

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Ubi caritas

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in 2/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: "Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love. U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor, Live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you. u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est." The score includes a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a time signature of 2/4. There are triplets in the final two lines of the melody.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" (see no. 727).

TEXT: Latin, 8th cent.; English trans. Taizé Community, 1991
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979
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UBI CARITAS (Taizé)
Irregular

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Prayer by Thom Shuman

*Living God,
we confess that our faith is sometimes weak,
our love for others can be faint,
our prayers are often timid,
and our gratitude is frequently unconvincing.
We stand looking toward heaven,
yet feel far from you.
Draw near in mercy to forgive us,
and fill us with your power,
through the grace of Jesus, our resurrected Savior. Amen.*

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

Scripture Reading Luke 24:44-53

Sermon *"Open the Eyes of My Heart"*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Song *I Choose Love*

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."

Breaking Open Our Lives

What have you seen differently in these days, looking through "the eyes of a grateful heart?" How have you been offered a new perspective? What are you grateful for at this moment?"

Comment on Facebook by completing this sentence, "I have a new sense of gratitude in/when/where..."

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation / Pastoral Prayer

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

Pastoral Prayer written by Ted Loder, found in My Heart in My Mouth: Prayers for Our Lives

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.

Offering

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Hymn #268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;

hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down-ward bends his burn-ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra-grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

Charge & Benediction

We know that Jesus is present among us... (repeat)
 even in this very home... (repeat)
We will not let fear be louder than love... (repeat)
but with glad hearts and rejoicing souls... (repeat)
 we will sing God's praise... (repeat)
 for we are Easter people... (repeat)

Postlude

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble
Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer
Scripture Reader: Mary Lou Clifton
Benediction: Mike and Becky Brown
Organist: Tamar Mikeladze
Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver
Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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