



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
May 2, 2021



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

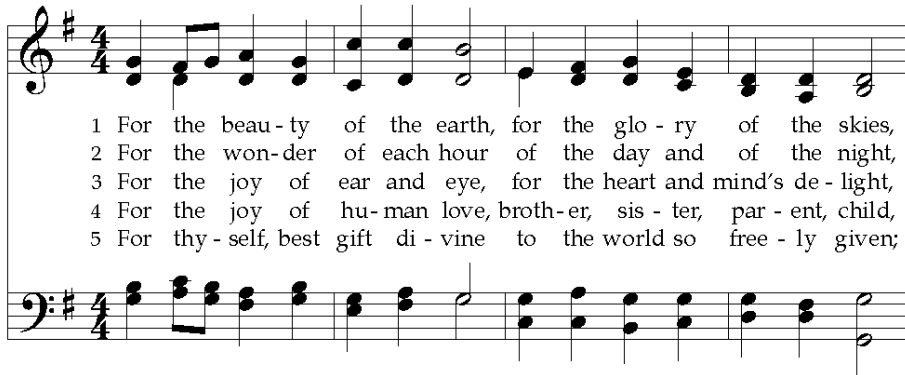
Prelude *My Redeemer*

Welcome & Announcements

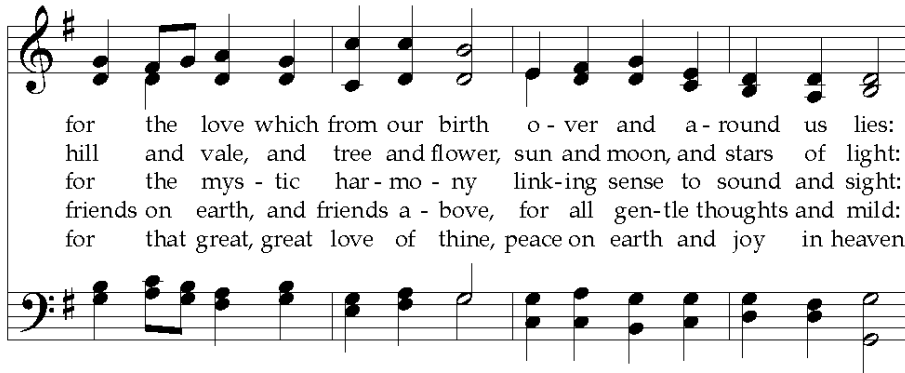
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Threshold Moment

Hymn #14 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

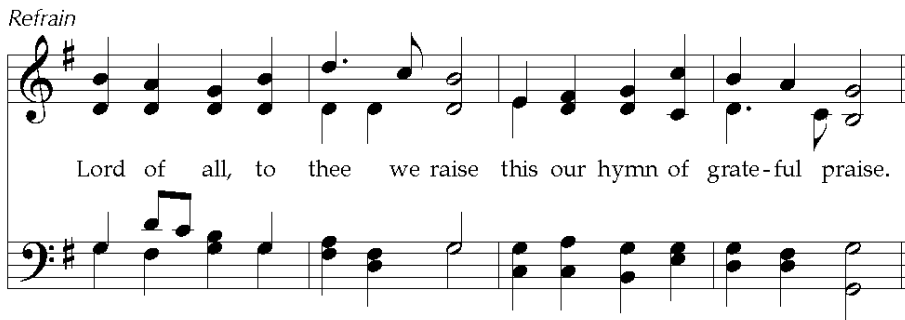


1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
5 For thy-self, best gift di-vine to the world so free-ly given;



for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild:
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *by Beth Merrill Neel*

Forgive us, O God, when we limit you –

When we remake you in our image,

When we claim our causes as your own,

When we box you in,

And explain you away,

And in our attempts at understanding, whittle away all mystery.

Forgive us for our human impulses, and change us:

Awaken us to your blinding glory,

Confound us by your love,

Shower us with grace so that we will be made new,

Recreated in your image,

Grateful for all that we cannot know.

In the name of Christ, who brought us closer to you, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

Congregational Response #232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (vs 4)

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!

Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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."

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 10

Sermon *Sometimes It's Hard to Change*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Reflection

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

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.

Offering

Your offerings support the mission and ministry of Eastminster Presbyterian Church. You can give online by going to <http://www.eastminsterchurch.org/give/online-giving/>

Communion

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.

Hymn #769 For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
for young and for old, the right to be - long,
for just and un - just, a new way to live,
for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and
 joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes,
 God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,
 jus-tice and joy!

Charge & Benediction *The Work of the People Video*

Postlude *I Found it All in Jesus*

Participants in today's service:

- Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble
- Liturgist: Patsy King
- Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer
- Communion: Rev. Becky Jones and Rev. Kristin Stroble
- Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze
- Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver
- Video Producer: Heather Myer

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