

A member congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

7th Sunday of Easter May 12, 2024, 10:45 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude Tideswell Processional, Trad. British Tune arr. by Cecil Sharp

Pianist: Sally Todd

Greeting

Ruskin Falls

Call to Worship Angela Smith

*Hymn #401

Here in This Place

Confession of Sin

Graciously holy, just, loving, and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, and in our deeds, through things we have done that we shouldn't have done, and through things we've left undone that we should have done. We haven't loved you with heart and soul and mind and strength, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, God, forgive us and redirect us

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways. Amen.

(A time for silent confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Congregational Response

Hymnal #233 (v.

2)

Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light, and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Offertory

The Loveliest of Trees

by George Butterworth

Soloist: Ferris Allen

*Doxology

Hymnal #232 (v. 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!

* Affirmation of Faith (From: The Confession of 1967)

The risen Christ is the savior of all people.

Through the cross and resurrection of Jesus,
the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all,
moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience,
and initiates the new life in Christ.

The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are.

They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death, and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ. To God be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Passing the Peace of Christ

*Worshipers are invited to stand in body or in spirit.

Hymns are from Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal (Westminster John Knox Press, 2013)

Prayer for the Illumination Kum ba Yah (Come by Here) Hymnal #472 (v.1)

> Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:43-48

Pew Bible NT pg. 5

Sermon Ruskin

Moment of Silence

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

*Hymn#100

My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

*Closing Congregational Response

Hymnal #248 (v. 3)

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

Postlude Bonnets So Blue, Trad. British Tune arr. by G. Butterworth

> Other than for hearing aid adjustments or emergencies, we ask that there be no use of electronic devices during worship.

Your word is a lamp to my feet

Be doers of the word

and a light to my path.

and not merely hearers.

Psalm 119:105

James 1:22

Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey it.

| uke 11:28

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Office Hours: Tuesday – Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Restrooms: A restroom is located on the west side of the narthe (the entranceway to the sanctuary). It is wheel-chair accessible.

^{*}Charge and Benediction

401 Here is This Place

1 Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forskaen; gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face. We have been sung throughout of history, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rush and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

3 Here we will take the wind and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth. Here you shall call you sons and your daughters,

call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4 Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away; here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdon, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

1. My soul cries out witha joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and my spirit sings of the wondrour thiings that you bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn, so from east ot west shall my name be glesed. Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain:

My heart shall sing of the day your bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in my, and your mercy will last from the depths of the past topthe end of the age to be. Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you years, you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

3 From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone. Let the king beware for your justice tears every tyrant from his throne. The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food the can never earn; there are tables spread; every mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

4 Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast; God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forbearers heard is the promise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around.

Refrain