# Service for the Lord's Day

Honoring the Earth April 24, 2016

### Behold, God is making all things new!

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

Beloved Son of God, show us your glory so that we may know the glory of God. Amen.

## Gathering

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Land of Rest" "Be Thoughtful My Vision"

arr. Lau arr. Campfield

WELCOME Kathy Porter

\*INTROIT #13

"The Mighty God with Power Speaks" (v.1)

Morgan, 1999

#### RECEIVING NEW MEMBER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens, praise Yahweh in the heights!

Praise God, sun and moon, praise God, all you shining stars! Praise God, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Praise the Sovereign from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling God's command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and cedars! Beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Rulers of the earth and all peoples, let them praise the name of the Creator.

For Jehovah's name alone is exalted; Jehovah's glory is above earth and heaven. Let all creation sing with joy!

\*HYMN #14

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Pierpoint, 1864

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the love of God to make all things new, knowing we have disappointed the Holy Creator again, believing that God is not finished with us yet, let us dare to bring our prayers of confession to the One who hears us and heals us. Let us pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

#### SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of forgiveness and mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons. Yet, we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sin, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We ask for your help as we pray in the name of our Shepherd and King. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

#580

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's promises are trustworthy and true. Our sins are forgiven. Be at peace to serve the Lord and may we always be known by the Creator's love shown freely to all the world.

We will show others who we are - and Whose we are - by the loved poured out by our lives. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Now, we may begin again. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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.

## Proclaiming

PRAYERS FOR THE CHILDREN

Lynn Tieken

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Revelation 21: 1-6

Bibles, p.244/LG. p.315

The Word of the Lord

The Word of God, for the People of God

Thanks be to God

HYMN #401

**SERMON** 

"Here in This Place" (v. 1,2,4)

Haugen, 1979

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Acts 11: 1-18

Bibles, p.122/ LG. p.158

Thanks be to God

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"Made New!"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

### Responding

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of

the perfect child of God. He was the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. He gave history its meaning and direction and called the church to be his servant for the reconciliation of the world." This, we believe. Amen.

— The Confession of 1967 9.19

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Holy Gifts We Offer" arr. Southbridge

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### Sending

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #634 *"To God Be the Glory" (Chorus only)* 

POSTLUDE "Trumpet of the Morning"

(\*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

**This week's prayers and concerns:** Fonta Conway, Debbie Murphy, Cindy and Bob Ratliff, Tolly Dill, Jack Clark and family, Jack Gray, Syble and Tom DeLoach, Martha Paul Bennett and David Craig.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Mon. 04/25 Pipeline Deadline Sun. 05/01 Communion

Kids For God Every Wed. at 4:15pm & Choir Practice Every Wed. at 5:45pm

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