

MORNING WORSHIP

May 14, 2017

Half past Ten O'Clock

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Christy Parbst, Food Drive

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord

Cynthia Goff

INTROIT

O Christ, the Great Foundation

AURELIA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon those who revere Him, and His righteousness unto children's children;

Congregation: To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Leader: He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.

Congregation: For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

+*HYMN 229

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

O Lord, who loves us more than any parent could ever love a child, we give thanks that You mercifully receive us even when we have behaved like foolish runaways, even when we tear up what You have given us, even when we quickly forget what we have so painstakingly been taught. We bring before You the totality of our family life – memories both painful and joyful; unfulfilled dreams and exceedingly great realizations; petty arguments and deep conversations, distractions and procrastinations, sacrifices and high intentions; chaos and tranquility. Forgive us when we so often simply pass by one another on our way out the door, when we so easily take for granted the things which someone else has lovingly offered to us, when we expect the worst and resist the best of what is Your new creation. (Silent Prayers)

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you." This word from the prophet Isaiah means that God wills for us to be whole and restored. Therefore, live as accepted people, as strengthened people, as free people, as forgiven people! Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH/CONFIRMATION

Carson Bahr

+*HYMN 473

For the Beauty of the Earth

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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to the Chapel.
They will return to the Sanctuary following the sermon.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:8-10, pew Bible, p. 953

SERMON

"As One Whom A Mother Comforts"

Rush Otey

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Look at the World

by John Rutter

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 592*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**Teach me to rejoice today, as I follow You, Lord, through all the crowded ways of life, as I discover
You have gone on ahead to blaze the trail of human possibility, as I offer my resources and join
hands with You in healing, mending, making peace, and building up the kingdom. Amen.**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

RECOGNITION AND BLESSING OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, CLASS OF 2017

Erin Mills, Youth Director

*HYMN 555

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Today We Are Called To Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

*POSTLUDE

Postlude on Amazing Grace

Charles Callahan

*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or bring it after worship to one of the ministers. Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) reaffirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved away for military service, education, or work, and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (you have recently moved to this area and your membership is still elsewhere, or you simply seek to become part of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church in your faith journey). New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Conversations, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn together about all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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