



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

4th Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day
May 12, 2019

† Those who are able, please stand

Westminster Peal

Prelude *"Glad Tidings"* Thomas Chesterton

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life Elizabeth Small

Choral Introit *"Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers"* Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

† Gathering as the Children of God Elizabeth Small

One: We've come to worship God,

All: who loved us before we were yet born,

One: who knows us even better than we know ourselves,

All: whose presence never leaves us, and whose love for us never ceases.

One: This is our God.

All: Let's worship together!

† Hymn No. 430 *"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"* DARWALL'S 148TH

† Prayer of Confession (*unison*) Barbara Bruce

*Lord, it's truly a busy time of year, and we are exhausted. Easter is over,
and we are being reminded of the "normalcy" of life returning to us.
We don't want to go there just yet. We want to linger in the warmth of knowing
we are loved and forgiven. Forgive us when we don't seem to feel your warmth
in our lives all the time. Forgive us when we assign warmth only to
Christmas and Easter and seem to dwell on the mundane the rest of the time.
Give us courage to live as people of the Light, those who find your comforting,
encouraging presence in our lives at all times.
Strengthen us for joyful service in your name. AMEN.*

† Assurance of Pardon Barbara Bruce

One: Friends, believe the Good News!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† Response (#118, v3)

"The Day of Resurrection!"

*Now let the heavens be joyful, Let earth the song begin,
Let the round world keep triumph, And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen Their motes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen, Our joy that hath no end.*

† Passing of the Peace

Barbara Bruce

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

1 Peter 2:9-10

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem

"The Lord's Prayer"
Amy Kiley, Soprano

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

Sermon

"Found"

Elizabeth Small

† Hymn No. 417

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

REGENT SQUARE

Prayers of the People

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering

Offertory

"Spirituoso"

Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)

† Doxology (#592)

"Old Hundredth"

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

SENDING

† Closing Hymn No. 432 (*sung twice*)

"Song of Hope"

ARGENTINA

† Benediction

† Congregational Response (#538, v2)

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

*Thanks we give and adoration For Thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, Ever faithful to the truth may we be found.*

† Postlude

"Allegro Maestoso"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

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Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through *worship, study, fellowship, and service*.

- As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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