

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord's Day, April 29, 2018

The Christian Year: The Fifth Sunday after Easter

10:30 AM Morning Service

*"Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever."
Psalm 111:2-3*

[Please turn off cell phones and observe silence when the prelude begins.]

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Psalm 81

Minister: Sing aloud to God our strength! Shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

People: Raise a song; sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp!

Minister: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you up, out of the land of Egypt!"

People: "Open wide your mouth and I will fill it!" says the Lord!

Unison: Sing aloud to God our strength! Shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

*Hymn of Adoration No. 310

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King
(verse 5 a cappella)*

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer

Our Great Savior, we praise you. And we thank you that you humbled yourself and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. But death could not hold you. You rose from the grave! And now you are highly exalted, and your name is above all other names. So at your name, Jesus, every knee will bow and every tongue confess that you are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. And all will cry out, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" In your mighty name we pray. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism, 27 and 28

Minister: Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

People: Christ's humiliation consisted in His being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Minister: Wherein does Christ's exaltation consist?

People: Christ's exaltation consists in His rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Tune: Ode to Joy
Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
We exalt You, we adore You, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before You; here on earth our songs we raise.

Psalter Reading (responsive reading, page 824) Psalm 107:1-22

*Hymn of Response No. 55
To God Be the Glory

The Prayers of Intercession

Unison: Almighty God, we thank You that by the death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ, You have overcome sin and death and have brought us to Yourself. We thank You that by the sealing of the Holy Spirit, You have bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection to newness of life and have bound us to Yourself and to your service. Renew us, O Lord, by the same Holy Spirit, granting us an inquiring mind, an affectionate and discerning heart, and the courage to will and persevere in all that You would call us to, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of Response SH No. 11
Speak, O Lord

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Tune: *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of The Holy Scriptures Acts 7

Sermon Rev. Seth Wallace
"THE THREAD OF REDEMPTION"

*Hymn of Response

In Christ Alone

SH No. 9

*The Benediction

Postlude

**Denotes congregational standing, if able.*

Join us this evening for our
Fellowship Supper and Town Hall Meeting.
6:00 PM