

MAY 24, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP



**SECOND
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

11 AM

**Next Sunday, May 31
Lake Fellow Celebration**

11 a.m. (LiveStream)
Rev. Jasiel Hernandez
"Giving Thanks"

PLANTING IN EXILE

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-10



A welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives



Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we welcome you into this new sense of sanctuary – friends joined through Livestream, on Facebook, and at home on TV. We are indeed a community of faith and we are most grateful to still share in fellowship together.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Kelley J. Jepsen

Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez

Lake Fellow in Parish Ministry

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Senior Pastor

Dr. Michelle Louer

Director of Music and Fine Arts

Pianist

Caitlin Stewart

Sanctuary Choir Section Leader

Dale Caldwell

Guest Organist

May 24, 2020 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude

Trumpet Tune in C Major

David N. Johnson
(1922-1988)

Welcome

Rev. Christopher A. Henry

Call to Worship (from *A Song of Faith*, 2006)

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez

One: God is Holy Mystery, beyond complete knowledge, above perfect description.

All: **Yet, in love, the one eternal God seeks relationship.**

One: So God creates the universe

All: **and with it the possibility of being and relating.**

One: God tends the universe,

All: **mending the broken and reconciling the estranged.**

One: God enlivens the universe,

All: **guiding all things toward harmony with their Source.**

One: Grateful for God's loving action, we cannot keep from singing.

Prayer of Adoration

Opening Hymn #464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heaven re - flect Thy rays,
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav - en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.

Call to Confession

Wait for the Lord

John Berthier

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart!

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major and 2/2 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The melody is simple and uses a mix of quarter and half notes.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

we confess that we have been impatient.

Forgetting that you are with us at all times and in all places,

we have grown weary in our waiting for you.

Forgive us for failing to notice your presence when we are consumed with our own.

Refrain

We confess that in our rush, we have built dreams and abandoned them.

Sewn seeds but not tended them. Grown crops but forgotten to harvest them.

Help us, in our weakness, to seek the Kingdom of God in all we say and do.

Show us mercy when we fall short and give us grace as we strive to live as you intended.

Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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.

The musical notation consists of three staves in G major and 4/4 time. The melody is a simple, rhythmic tune that repeats across the three staves. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

We Experience God's Word

Time with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Brittany Babbitt

First Lesson

Luke 24:44-53

Hymn #268

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

HOLY MANNA



1. God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens In - fi - nite in time and place,
2. As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, May it chal - lenge us a - new:



Flung the suns in burn - ing ra - diance Through the si - lent fields of space:
Chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, Serv - ing oth - ers, hon - oring You.



We, Your chil - dren in Your like - ness, Share in - ven - tive powers with You;
May our dreams prove rich with prom - ise, Each en - deav - or well be - gun;



Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, Show us what we yet may do.
Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance Till our goals and Yours are one.

Second Lesson

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-10

Sermon

Rev. Kelley J. Jepsen

“Planting in Exile”

*"But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf,
for in its welfare you will find your welfare."*

(JEREMIAH 29:7)

We Give Thanks to God

Affirmation of Faith *A Song of Faith* (United Church of Canada 2006) Rev. Christopher A. Henry

We sing of a church

**seeking to continue the story of Jesus
 by embodying Christ's presence in the world.**

We are called together by Christ

**as a community of broken but hopeful believers,
 loving what he loved,
 living what he taught,
 striving to be faithful servants of God
 in our time and place.**

Our ancestors in faith

**bequeath to us experiences of their faithful living;
 upon their lives our lives are built.**

Our living of the gospel makes us a part of this communion of saints,

**experiencing the fulfillment of God's reign
 even as we actively anticipate a new heaven and a new earth.**

Grateful for God's loving action,

we cannot keep from singing.

Creating and seeking relationship,

in awe and trust, we witness to Holy Mystery who is Wholly Love.

Amen.

Call to Generosity

Offertory

His Eye is On the Sparrow

Charles H. Gabriel

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home?

When Jesus is my portion, my constant friend is He.

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches over me.

I sing because I'm happy. I sing because I'm free.

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

Words: Civilla Martin

Prayers of the People 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.

We Go Forth to Serve

Closing Hymn #332

Live Into Hope

TRURO



1. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, Of sight re -
 2. Live in - to hope the blind shall see With in - sight
 3. Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, The right to
 4. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed From chains of



gained, the end of greed. The op - pressed shall be the
 and with clar - i - ty, Re - mov - ing shades of
 speak, the right to be, The right to have one's
 fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our



first to see The year of God's own ju - bi - lee!
 pride and fear— A vi - sion of our God brought near.
 dai - ly bread, To hear God's word and thus be fed.
 full re - lease To faith and hope and joy and peace.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in E-flat Major

David N. Johnson

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(and all other days of the week!)**

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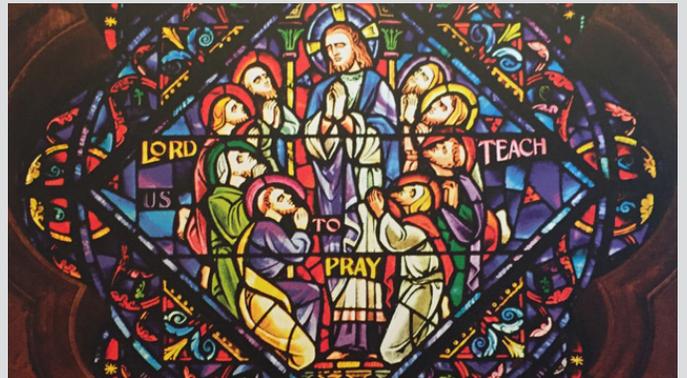
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GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT



As we give, we fulfill a deep truth of our identity and purpose as children of God. Because giving is what we were created to do, being generous brings great joy to all who engage with the gifts we have been given. Thank you for so generously sharing your gifts among one another, and throughout this welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives. Visit [SecondChurch.org/Give](https://www.SecondChurch.org/Give) to learn more.

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News Within the Church Family

Welcome:

Jude James Srour
son of Kristin & George Srour
Birthdate: March 17, 2020

William Cyrus McCutcheon
son of Meredith
& Tom McCutcheon
Birthdate: May 9, 2020

Deaths:

Carolyn Highfield
Carol Dominianni