

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sixth Sunday in Easter May 17, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

# THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Andante from Op. 51, No. 1 Paula Roberts, piano Edward MacDowell

WELCOME

### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Come, Thou Almighty King* Stanzas 1 and 2 Hymn can be found on page 4 of bulletin Italian Hymn

### **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Read responsively)

"O God of grace, have mercy on us."

(Time for silent prayer)

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### \*GLORIA

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

Stanza 4

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

# THE WORD

### LESSON FOR CHILDREN

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lorie Williamson

Teresa Larson

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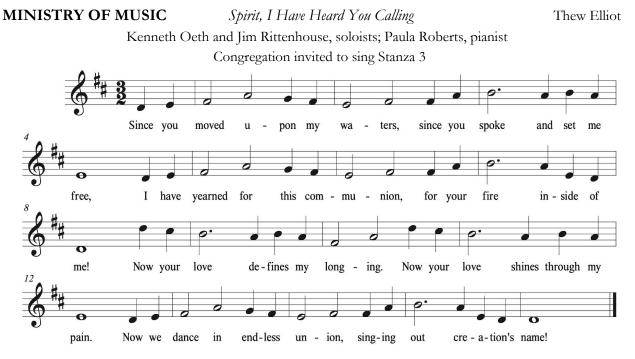
#### FIRST READING

#### SECOND READING

SERMON

"The Courage to Pray"

# THE RESPONSE



#### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

# The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God, the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

#### LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (Read responsively)

"Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer."

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.

Luke 18:1-8

Rev. Steve Jester

# THE SENDING

#### \*HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ Service Stanzas 1 and 3 BEACH SPRING

(1) Called as partners in Christ's service, Called to ministries of grace,
We respond with deep commitment
Fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing,
Side by side and friend with friend,
Equal partners in our caring
To fulfill God's chosen end. (3) Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, In a small or global sense,
Help us bear each other's burdens,
Breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision,
Words of challenge, said with care,
Bring new power and strength for action,
Make us colleagues, free and fair.

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

## IN WORSHIP TODAY

#### **OUR MUSIC**

Paula Roberts, piano; Kenneth Oeth and Jim Rittenhouse, soloists Soren Larue and Nick Maloney, audio/video tech

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#### WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Rev. Steve Jester on the death of his father, Don Jester, 5/8/20.
Sandy Curth on the death of her sister, Gretchen Barth, 5/7/20.
The Kalmbach family on the death of Elsa Kalmbach 4/24/20.
Missy Hitt and her family on the death of Missy's sister, Susan Hayes, 4/22/20.
Sarah Middleton and her family on the death of her husband, Ken Middleton, 4/21/20.
Garry Harris on the death of his mother, Sarah Elizabeth Harris, 4/15/20.
Martha Nichols on the death of her brother, John Richard Clay, 4/8/10.

#### THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor Rev. Nathan Sautter, Associate Pastor for Community Life Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Music Ministries Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's Ministries Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School Paula Roberts, Organist Christina Bouras Recktenwald, Children's Choirs Coordinator Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Coordinator Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate Teresa Larson, Summer Intern THE TRIUNE GOD



The author of this Trinitarian text is unknown, but this hymn has proved popular since the middle of the 18th century, partly because of its effective use of biblical metaphors, but also because of the strength of this tune, which was composed especially for these words.

TEXT: Collection of Hymns for Social Worship, 1757, alt. MUSIC: Felice de Giardini, 1769, alt. ITALIAN HYMN 6.6.4.6.6.6.4