

PRELUDE Verset, Gustave Tritant (1837-1907)
Meditation in A minor, anonymous

WELCOME

PASSING OF THE PEACE

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!
The Peace of Christ be with you.... **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Those who love Jesus keep his words;

Those who love Christ will make their home with God.

Those who know Jesus will know his peace;

Those who know Jesus will be taught in the ways of peace.

Come, follow and love Jesus our Lord, who has come to be among us.

**Come, worship God, who lives among us, loves us,
and calls us home. Amen.**

HYMN NCH 22 *Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped*

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 67; John 14:23-29*

MUSICAL REFLECTION NCH 289 *Come Forth, O Love Divine*, Conner Stanfield, vocalist

SERMON *Acts 16:9-15*

SILENT REFLECTION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

We pray for health and strength for Pasha Buck, Molly Campe, George Drake, Betty Anne Francis, Ross Haenfler, Jean Libbey, Gene McCaw, Amy Schirm, and Gayle Strickler.

We pray for comfort and peace for Orlan Mitchell and family. Verlene died on April 10th

PASTORAL PRAYER

God of new possibilities,
we give thanks for your constant reminder
that you have a vision for our world
that far exceeds our present realities.

You call us up out of our cynicism, apathy and fear
to keep our eyes on the life you would have us live.

We are grateful for the courage and determination
you make available to us to sustain our efforts
to work for better relationships, justice and peace.
Help us to find the language and the courage
to share our own faith stories with each other,
and to be open and honest and humble in all of our interactions.

God, we pray for our world and those nations
where violence and tyranny cause so much suffering.

We pray for people driven out of their homes and their homelands,
and struggle to survive in refugee camps.

We pray for those who do not have enough food to sustain them
or water to quench their thirst.

We pray for those who are victims of slavery, even in this 21st century;

God, we feel so helpless at times.
Help us to enact your command to love and to feed your sheep.

For those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit,
we ask for healing and peace.
Be our light in this world, God.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *(Inclusive Version)*

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother

Holy is your name.

May your love be enacted in the world.

May your will be done

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread

And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us in the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For all that we do in your love,
and all that your love brings to birth,
and the fullness of love that will be
are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

GRATITUDE FOR OFFERING & DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost

HYMN NCH 503 *O Savior, Let Me Walk with You*

BENEDICTION

Creator God,
may your peace go with us wherever we will be this day
May you guide us through the challenges,
protect us when in need
and inspire us with your love.

May we acknowledge your presence
in all the human goodness we will see.

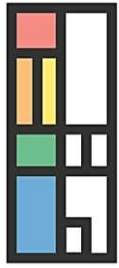
May you bring us home rejoicing
to our place of rest this night.

We now go into this day in the name of the Creator
and the Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

POSTLUDE *Built on the Rock*, Ludwig M. Lindeman (1812-1887)
arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel (1894-1986) / Concordia Publishing House

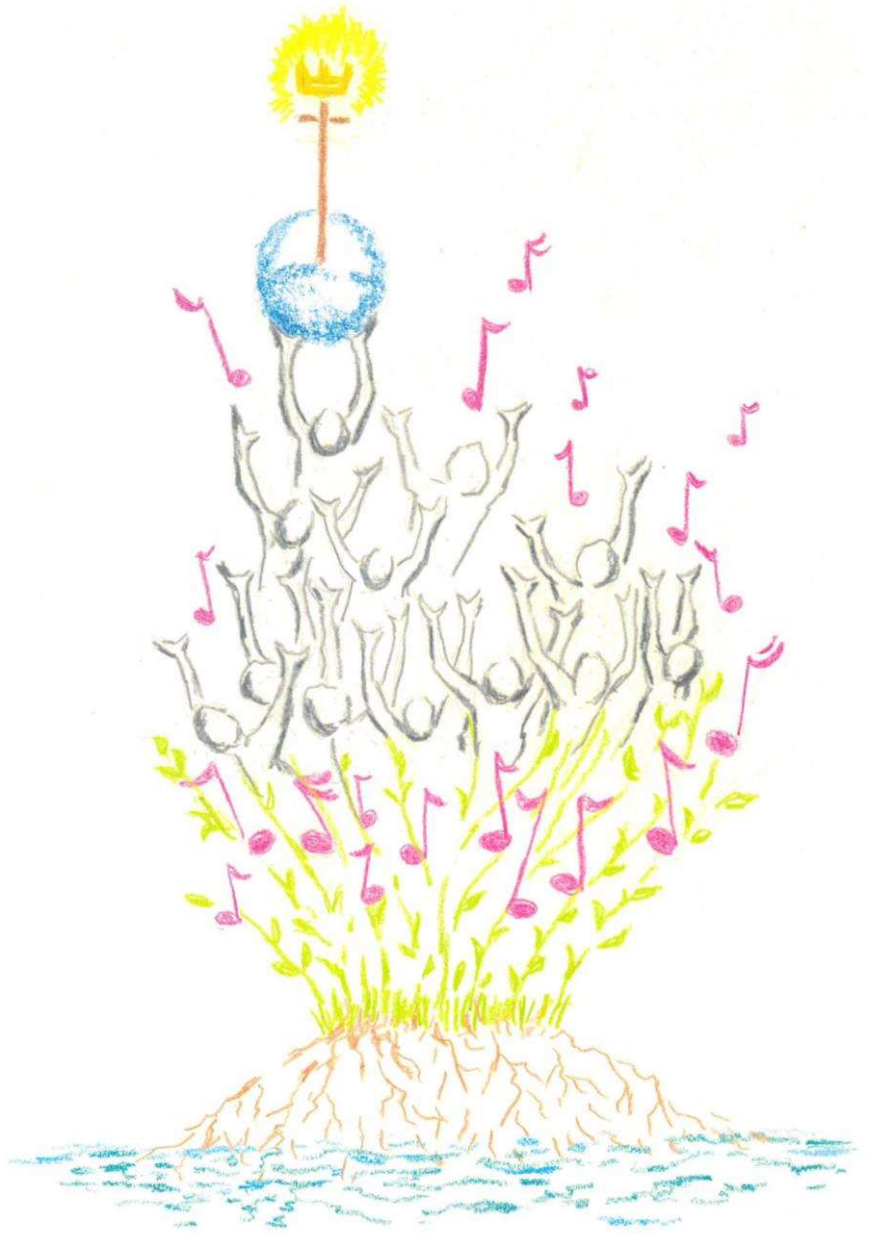
Worship Resources:

Call to Worship ~ written by Rev. Mindi and posted on Rev-o-lution. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>
Pastoral Prayer ~ from the Presbyterian Church in Canada website. <http://presbyterian.ca/worship/>
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Benediction ~ posted on the Third Space website. <http://third-space.org.uk/blog>



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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

To Grow in Love of God and Neighbor

Worship Participants

Pastor	Rev. Jessica Margrave Schirm
Liturgist	Laura Nelson Lof
Vocalist	Conner Stanfield
Organist	Kenneth Davis
Artist	Edd Scheer
Worship Hosts	JoAnn Britton, Nancy Brown, Jeananne Schild
Tech Team	Barbara and John Ashby, Dave Eberbach, Josh Sandquist
Sunday Drivers	Rick Ramsey, George Britton, Denny Conway, Shane Estes, John Noer
Chancel Care	Sarah White, Glenyce Conway, Karen Edwards, Sue Ramsey, Oliva Wright