

# Celebration of Worship

April 10, 2011                      The Fifth Sunday of Lent                      9:15 and 11:00 a.m.

\* *If you are able, please stand.*

+++ *Arriving worshipers may be seated.*

WELCOME

*(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you.)*

PRELUDE      *Concerto IV in B Minor from Six Concerti for Five Flutes*

*Adagio*

Joseph Bodin de Boismortier

*Allegro*

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*Flora Alexander, Jenny Cline, Bill Hoff, Bill Hutzel, Nancy Shearer, flute*

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*The Reverend Dr. David J. Smazik*

From the deepest places in our lives we cry to God,

**God, hear my voice, do not be far from me.**

Let us not forget God's steadfast love and power to redeem.

**We wait for God, and in God's Word we find hope.**

\*HYMN 442

*The Church's One Foundation*

Aurelia

**The Church's one foundation**

**Is Jesus Christ her Lord,**

**She is His new creation**

**By water and the Word.**

**From heaven He came and sought her**

**To be His holy bride;**

**With His own blood He bought her**

**And for her life He died.**

**Elect from every nation,**

**Yet one o'er all the earth;**

**Her charter of salvation,**

**One Lord, one faith, one birth;**

**One holy Name she blesses,**

**Partakes one holy food,**

**And to one hope she presses,**

**With every grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder**

**The world sees her oppressed,**

**By schisms rent asunder,**

**By heresies distressed:  
Yet saints their watch are keeping,  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song!**

**Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore;  
Till, with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth has union  
With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won,  
O happy ones and holy  
Lord give them grace that we,  
Like them the meek and lowly,  
May live eternally.**

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)*

*The Reverend Cynthia J. Alloway*

Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our cry!**

If you should mark iniquities, who could stand?

**Our sins have crippled us, bound us, buried us—they cut us off from you, who is life itself.**

But there is forgiveness with you. With you is great power to redeem.

**Breath into us your breath, O God. Breathe into us your Spirit.**

Open our graves and call us to you,

**That we may live in full knowledge of your power and steadfast love.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

*\*RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Hymn 82, O Lamb of God Most Holy!)*

**O Lamb of God most holy!  
Who on the cross did suffer,  
And patient still and lowly,**

**Yourself to scorn did offer;  
Our sins by You were taken,  
Or hope had us forsaken:  
(1) Have mercy on us, Jesus.  
(2) Have mercy on us, Jesus.  
(3) Your peace be with us, Jesus.**

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)*

*Sherry Guthrie (9:15)*

*Peggy Clark (11:00)*

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light,  
in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*FIRST SCRIPTURE READING*      Ezekiel 37:1-14  
*(Old Testament, page 759)*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*ANTHEM*

*Alleluia*

Ralph Manuel

*Flora Alexander, Nancy Shearer, Bill Hutzal, flute*      *arranged by Victoria Jicha*  
*Jenny Cline, alto flute*  
*Bill Hoff, bass flute*

*GOSPEL READING: John 11:1-6, 17-45*  
*(New Testament, page 98)*

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*SERMON:*

*“A Visit to a Tomb”*

*Rev. Smazik*

*\*HYMN 76*

*My Song Is Love Unknown*

Love Unknown

**My song is love unknown,  
My Savior’s love to me;  
Love to the loveless shown,  
That they might lovely be.  
O who am I, that for my sake  
My Lord should take, frail flesh and die?**

**Christ came from heaven’s throne  
Salvation to bestow;  
But people scorned, and none  
The longed for Christ would know:**

**But O! my Friend, my Friend indeed,  
Who at my need His life did spend.**

**Sometimes they strew His way,  
And His sweet praises sing;  
Resounding all the day  
Hosannas to their King:  
Then “Crucify!” is all their breath,  
And for His death they thirst and cry.**

**They rise and needs will have  
My dear Lord made away;  
A murderer they save,  
The Prince of life they slay.  
Yet steadfast He to suffering goes,  
That He His foes from thence might free.**

**Here might I stay and sing,  
No story so divine:  
Never was love, dear King,  
Never was grief like thine.  
This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend.**

*OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD*

*OFFERTORY*

*Allegro con Eleganza  
from Froesoebloomster*

W. Peterson-Berger

*arranged by Bill Hutzel*

*Flora Alexander, Jenny Cline, Bill Hoff, Bill Hutzel, Nancy Shearer, flute  
Carol Johnson, piano*

*\*RESPONSE (from Hymn 542, Tallis' Canon)*

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

*DEDICATION OF OFFERING*

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE*

*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.**

**Guide my feet while I run this race.  
Guide my feet while I run this race.  
Guide my feet while I run this race,  
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

**Hold my hand while I run this race.  
Hold my hand while I run this race.  
Hold my hand while I run this race,  
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

**Stand by me while I run this race.  
Stand by me while I run this race.  
Stand by me while I run this race,  
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

**I'm your child while I run this race.  
I'm your child while I run this race.  
I'm your child while I run this race,  
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

*\*BENEDICTION*

*BENEDICTION ANTHEM*      *Praise the Lord with Flutes*      Sigrd Karg-Elert  
*Flora Alexander, Jenny Cline, Bill Hutzal, flute*      *arranged by Robert Cathey*  
*Nancy Shearer, alto flute*      *Bill Hoff, bass flute*

*The congregation is requested to remain seated during the concluding anthem.  
If you must leave, please do so respectfully.*

*Participating in the service today are the Reverends Dr. David J. Smazik and  
Cynthia J. Alloway and lay readers Sherry Guthrie and Peggy Clark.  
The music is under the direction of Carol Johnson. Jim Hicks is playing an  
organ recital for the Michigan chapter of the American Guild of Organists.*