



The Presbyterian Church in Morristown

May 10, 2020

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Celebration of Worship

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

One: Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

Many: We long for abiding peace and friendship that renews our souls.

One: Jesus says, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

Many: We come to encounter Christ. Let us worship our God!

Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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Confession and Pardon

The Reverend Sarah Green

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy God, in baptism you claim us as beloved children and set us apart as witnesses to your love. At times we forget that we bear the mark of your grace and act as if you have no claim on our lives. You call us to the risky work of justice and peace, but we default to what is comfortable and safe. You call us to ministries of generosity and compassion, but we make little room in our busy lives for gestures of mercy beyond moments of spontaneous kindness. Wash us again with your grace and transform us by your Word, that we might proclaim your good news in word and deed. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*) (Based on I Peter 2:9-10 NRSV)

One: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people,

Many: **in order that we may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.**

One: Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people:

Many: **once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.**

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

Patrick Allred

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit open our minds that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; John 14:1-14

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Finding our Way

Rev. Dr. Smazik

Anthem

The Call (*Five Mystical Songs*)
Matthew Webb, baritone and piano

R.V. Williams

Minute for Mission

Elder Donna Tomlinson

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.

Hymn 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky
(November 2016 – Steve Hess Trio with Elise Figa and Rob Heinink)

Here I Am

Benediction

Today's service is led by the Reverend Dr. David Smazik, the Reverend Sarah Green, Dr. Matthew Webb, Alexandra Mead, and Patrick Allred. Thank you to Jenny Tooley, Sheldon Rajkumar, and Bruce Frazier for their assistance.

Online Meetings

Although our physical doors are closed, our spiritual and outreach doors continue to remain open. Please see below for our online programming; if you have any questions or concerns about accessing weekly programs, please contact the leader listed.

Sundays at 1:30 p.m. – High School Youth Group led by Patrick Allred

Tuesdays at 7 p.m. – Young Professionals Small Group Check-In led by Patrick Allred

Wednesdays at 1 p.m. – Midweek Prayer and Check-In Call led by Rev. Sarah Green

Wednesdays at 4 p.m. – Midweek led by Ignacio Angulo-Pizarro and Alexandra Mead

Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. – Middle School Youth Group led by Patrick Allred

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. – Music Ministry Hangout led by Matt Webb

Fridays at 1 p.m. – Caregiver Support Group led by Rev. Sarah Green

Sunday Morning Worship is available online. The service will be posted on the website on Sunday mornings at 8 a.m.



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