



**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN MORRISTOWN**

May 2, 2021
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Celebration of Worship

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The Reverend Leslie Dobbs-Allsopp

One: We are here to praise and worship God,

Many: the one who created us for love.

One: We are here to worship the true vine,

Many: the one in whose love we abide.

One: Easter people, Christ is risen!

Many: Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn 506

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

Copeland

Confession and Pardon

Dr. Matthew Webb

God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of the Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promises of baptism, and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us, that we may abide in your love and live out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*)

One: God's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, that we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life.

Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Prayer for Illumination

Dr. Matthew Webb

Come, Holy Spirit, that through your word we may be guided into the love of God for all the world. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 22:25-31

Daniella Geary

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Reading

John 15:1-8

Rev. Dobbs-Allsopp

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The True Vine

Rev. Dobbs-Allsopp

Hymn 285

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Bridegroom

Moment for Mission

Interfaith Food Drive

Vicky Willson

Offering

Sacrament of Communion

Rev. Dobbs-Allsopp

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution and Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Patrick Allred

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.

Benediction

Rev. Dobbs-Allsopp

Today's service is led by the Reverend Leslie Dobbs-Allsopp,
Dr. Matthew Webb, Alexandra Mead, Patrick Allred,
Daniella Geary, Kevin Graf, and the Choral Scholars.

Special thanks to Bruce Frazier, Richard Parke, Sheldon Rajkumar,
Carolyn Crosthwaite, and Jenny Tooley for their assistance.

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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