

POTWIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Topeka, Kansas

Sunday April 28, 2024

5th Sunday of Eastertide/Coffee House Church

Liturgical color: white

PRELUDE

CHIMES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Let us gather and praise his holy name!

Unison: We gather to sing praises with all our hearts, minds, and souls!

Leader: Your way O God is holy. You are great and good.

Unison: All praise to the redeemer, who commands us to forgive.

***INVOCATION/OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Almighty God,

Your steadfast love knows no limit, and your mercy is unending. As we gather here to worship you, open our eyes to your word and illuminate our path. Teach us to love one another, just as you so loved the world. Grant us the strength to forgive others, just as you have forgiven us. Guide us this day and always, O God, so that we may embody your grace in the world, Amen.

***OPENING HYMN: "Open My Eyes That I May See" (#324 Blue Hymnal)**

Praise, Prayers, and Petitions

SILENT PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION:

CORPORATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God,

Though you show us the light, we choose to remain in darkness. You call for forgiveness, yet we turn towards revenge. You command us to love, yet we continue to hate. God of steadfast mercy, we come to you asking for your forgiveness. Help us to walk your righteous path, filling our hearts with your compassion. In Christ's name we ask it, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Leader: As God has forgiven us so let us forgive one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

Unison: And also with you!

Leader: Please share the love and peace of Christ with each other as you feel comfortable.

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(pg 16 in the Hymnal, Traditional version)

***Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri) #577**

The Word:

PASTORAL PRAYER

Illumination (Sung x2)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

HYMN: "Jesu, Jesu"

(#367 Blue Hymnal)

OLD TESTAMENT: Deuteronomy 6:1-6

NEW TESTAMENT: Luke 6:27-36

MESSAGE: "Foundational Forgiveness"

Cameron Charity

MEDITATION ON MESSAGE:

Gwen Jones

Response to the Word

STATEMENT OF FAITH: *The Apostle's Creed, Traditional, pg 14 Blue Hymnal*

I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY:

Gwen Jones

DOXOLOGY:

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” (#592 Blue Hymnal)

***OFFERING RESPONSE: Blessed be God forever.**

***CLOSING HYMN: “Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace”**

(#374 B.H.)

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father

Siblings all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live

Each moment in peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me