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Worship

May 12, 2023
Monteith Hall

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WORSHIP

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2024 · 11:15 AM

** When this symbol precedes an element of the service,
please rise in body or spirit.*

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Side A: *The Lord watches over the way of the
righteous,*

Side B: **ensuring their efforts bear fruit.**

Side A: *God brings us into community with one
another,*

Side B: **that we might delight in each other and
pursue righteousness together.**

Side A: *Sin, wickedness, and even death, die with
Jesus' resurrection.*

Side B: **Until the day when God's work is finished,**

All: Let us seek the ways of the Lord together.

*OPENING HYMN #457 "How Happy Are the Saints of God"

CALL TO CONFESSION

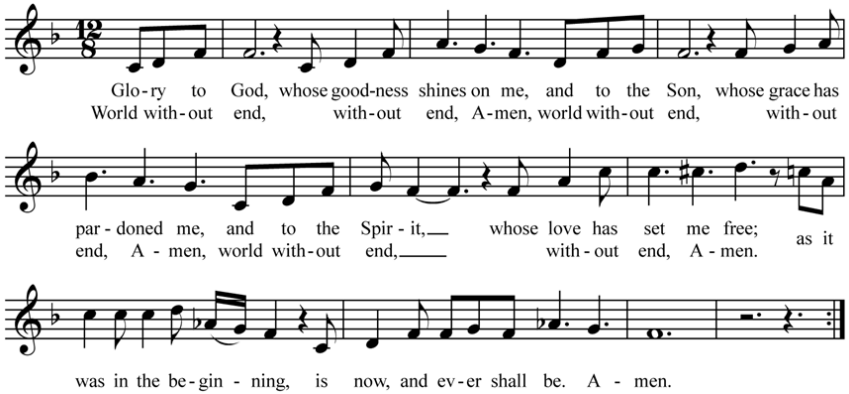
PRAYER OF CONFESSION **Creator God, in your creation of us, you gave us freedom to make decisions for ourselves. Every day, we make choices, consciously and unconsciously, but it's hard to tell which choices will put us on the right path. Forgive us when our decisions lead us away from relationship, justice, and compassion. Forgive us when we choose wickedness over what's right. Make us conscious of our decisions, and help us choose paths that lead us closer to you.**

Silence is kept.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE As you pass the peace, you are invited to share an answer to these questions: what's something you hope will fade away soon? What's something you hope will remain?

CONGREGATIONAL "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"
RESPONSE #582



Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has
World with-out end, with-out end, A-men, world with-out end, with-out
par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has set me free; as it
end, A-men, world with-out end, with-out end, A-men.
was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A-men.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR "Spirit of the Living God"
ILLUMINATION #288 **Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me**
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 1

SERMON "What Fades and What Remains"

RESPONSE

PARTICIPATORY PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Statement of Ordination

Introduction of the Candidate: Jeff Colton

Constitutional Questions

Questions of the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept Jen as an elder, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead and serve in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to pray for her, to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the Head of the Church?

We do.

The Laying On of Hands

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

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.

SENDING

CLOSING HYMN #69 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

*BENEDICTION ...we go out in peace, **to love, to serve, to imagine.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY



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