

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*05 May 2013*

## Worship Notes

We return to Luke 10 with the story of Mary and Martha and what is necessary in terms of learning at the feet of Jesus. The service starts with the **Call to Worship** from **Psalm 34** and the posture of taking refuge in the Lord and coming to learn the fear of the Lord. We respond by singing **Psalm 57: Be Thou O God Exalted High** praying for His glory to fill the heavens. We continue by singing **Psalm 138: With Grateful Heart** for truth and grace together shine in His holy Word and mercy dwells with Him.

Our **Old Testament Reading** comes from **Psalm 16** where acknowledge that we have no good apart from the Lord. Because He is with us, we shall not be shaken. **Psalm 119** sets before us the importance and beauty of the Word of God, and so we turn there as our **Prayer of Confession** for we too often wander from His commands and do not store His word in our hearts. We pray that He would give us delight in His law.

We then sing **Speak, O Lord** as a prayer to be fed by His word that we might learn obedience and renew our minds. Our **Profession** this week comes from **Psalm 19** as we speak together what God has said about His own Word. **Communion Hymns** include a new hymn for May—**Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness**—and **Give Me Jesus**. Our final hymn, **Be Thou My Vision**, is a prayer that Christ would be the forefront of our thoughts and lives even as He leads us to the joys of heaven.

—Greg Wilbur

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into his courts.*

### Prelude

### Announcements & Preparation

### Introit—I Know that My Redeemer Lives, Vs I

I know that my Re - deem - er lives: What joy this blest as - sur - ance gives!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - last - ing head!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-99; Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793.

## Call to Worship—based on Psalm 34:1-3, 8, 11, 14

Pastor: We will bless the LORD at all times, His praise shall continually be in our mouths.

All: **Our souls make their boast in the LORD; Let the humble hear and be glad.**

Pastor: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

All: **Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**

Pastor: Come, children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

All: **We will turn away from evil and do good; we will seek peace and pursue it.**

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

## Psalm 57: Be Thou, O God, Exalted High



Be thou, O God ex - al - ted high; And as Your glor - y fills the  
O God, my heart is fixed; 'tis bent Its thank - ful tri - bute to pre -  
A - wake, my glor - y; harp and lute, No long - er let your strings be  
Your prais - es, Lord, I will re - sound To all the list - ening na - tions



sky, So let it be on earth dis - played, Till You are here, as  
sent; And, with my heart, my voice I'll raise To You, my God, in  
mute; And I, my tune - ful part to take, Will with the ear - ly  
round; Your mer - cy high - est heav'n tran - scends; Your truth be - yond the



there, o - beyed. Till You are here, as there, o - beyed.  
songs of praise. To You, my God, in songs of praise.  
dawn a - wake. Will with the ear - ly dawn a - wake.  
clouds ex - tends. Your truth be - yond the clouds ex - tends.

## Psalm of Praise—Psalm 138: With Grateful Heart



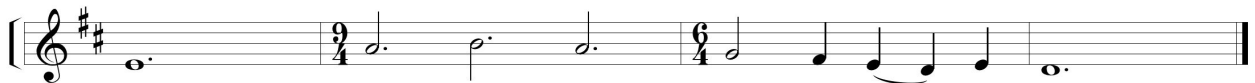
With grate - ful heart my thanks I bring, Be - fore the great Thy  
I cried to Thee and Thou didst save, Thy Word of grace new  
O Lord, en - throned in glor - y bright, Thou reign - est in the  
Thou wilt stretch forth Thy might - y arm To save me when my



praise I sing; I wor - ship in Thy ho - ly place And  
cour - age gave; The kings of earth shall thank Thee, Lord, For  
heaven - ly height; The proud in vain Thy fav - or seek, But  
foes a - larm; The work Thou hast for me be - gun Shall



praise Thee for Thy truth and grace; For truth and grace to - geth - er  
they have heard Thy wond - rous Word; Yea, they shall come with songs of  
Thou hast mer - cy for the meek; Through trou - ble though my path - way  
by Thy grace be ful - ly done; For - ev - er mer - cy dwells with



shine In Thy most ho - ly Word di - vine.  
praise, For great and glor - ious are Thy ways.  
be, Thou wilt re - trieve and strengthen me.  
Thee; O Lord, my Mak - er, think on me.

Text: Psalm 138, *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: SUSSEX CAROL, Traditional English Tune.

*(Please be seated)*

## Old Testament Reading—Psalm 16

*The Lord is my chosen portion.*

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- 2 I say to the LORD, “You are my LORD; I have no good apart from you.”
- 3 As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.
- 4 The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- 5 The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- 6 The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- 7 I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- 9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.
- 10 For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.
- 11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

*The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.*

### Sung Response—Come, O Redeemer, Come



Fa - ther en-throned on high, Ho - ly, Ho - ly: An - cient e - ter - nal light, hear our prayer.  
Look now up - on our need, Lord be, with us; heal us and make us free, from our sin.



Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us mer-cy. Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us peace.

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### Corporate Confession of Sin—based on Psalm 119:9-16

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. You have taught us that we keep our way pure  
by guarding it according to Your word.

All: We say that we seek You with our whole heart, but we wander from Your commandments.

Pastor: May we store up Your word in our hearts that we might not sin against You.

All: Blessed are You, O Lord; teach us Your statutes.

Pastor: May we regularly speak Your word.

All: Lord, we do not delight in Your testimonies  
as much as we delight in riches, fame, or self fulfillment.

Pastor: Teach us to fix our eyes on Your ways.

All: Give us a delight in Your statutes that we may not forget Your word.

### Sung Response—Kyrie



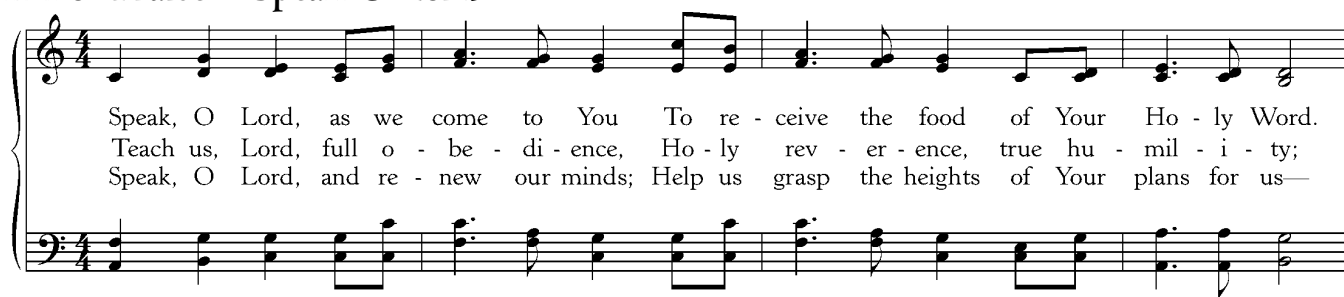
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

### Silent Prayers of Confession

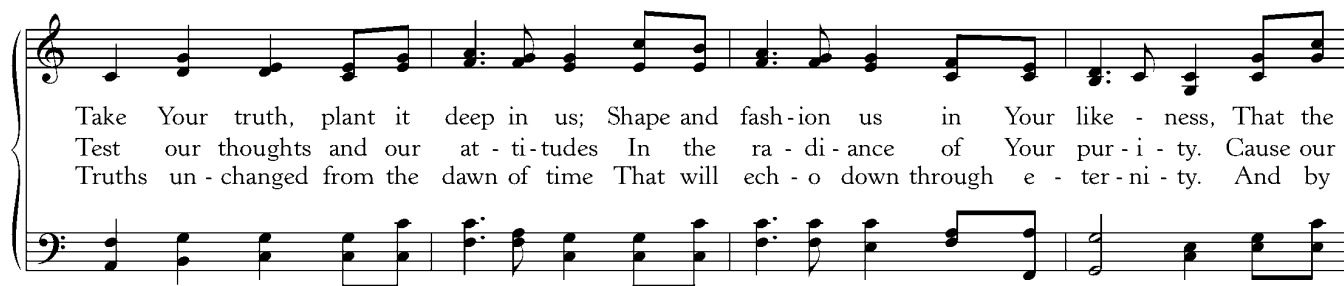
#### Assurance of Pardon—I John 3:4-5

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. Know that Christ appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin.

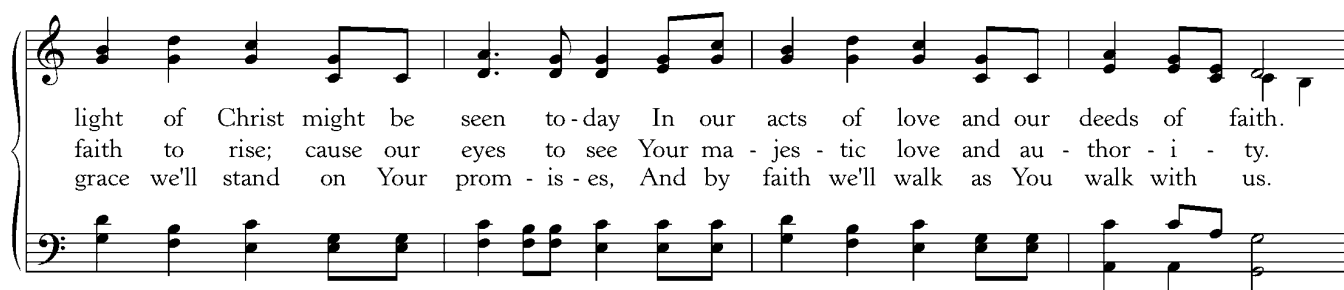
## Hymn of Praise—Speak O Lord



Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To re - ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.  
Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty;  
Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—



Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fash - ion us in Your like - ness, That the  
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our  
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.  
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.  
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail— Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

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## Missions Report—Lincoln Pent, Summer Trip to Nicaragua

### The Reading of the Word—Luke 10:38-42

38 Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. 39 And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. 40 But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." 41 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, 42 but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Profession from God’s Word—Psalm 19:7-11, 14**

*Of what purpose is the Law of the Lord*

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;  
the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;  
the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;  
the just decrees of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.  
More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.  
Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.  
Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts  
be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

**Sung Response—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth, Vs 1**

Teach me, O Lord, Thy way of truth, And from it I will not de - part; That

I may stead - fast - ly o - bey, Give me an un - der - stand - ing heart.

Text: Joseph P. Holbrook, ca. 1878; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, ca. 1567.

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.*

## Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

*Having confessed our sins and made a good profession of faith, God's Table is open to all those "faithfully-fenced" members of the covenant community. Please come forward to partake of this means of grace. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.*

## Hymn of Communion—May Hymn: Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness



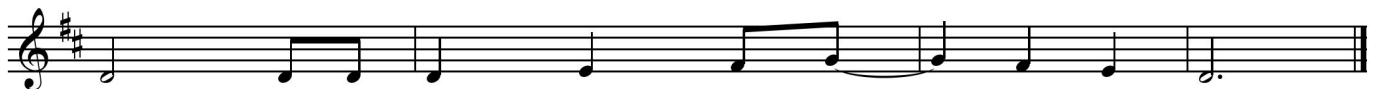
Wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness;  
Low at his feet lay thy bur - den of care - ful - ness,  
Fear not to en - - - ter his courts in the slen - der - ness  
These, though we bring them in trem - bling and fear - ful - ness,  
Wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness;



bow down be - fore Him, His glo - - ry pro - claim;  
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,  
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reck - on as thine;  
he will ac - cept for the Name that is dear;  
bow down be - fore Him, His glo - - ry pro - claim;



gold of o - be - dience and in - - cense of low - li - ness  
com - fort thy sor - rows, and an - - swer thy prayer - ful - ness,  
truth in its beau - - ty, and love in its ten - der - ness,  
morn - ings of joy give for ev - 'nings of tear - ful - ness,  
gold of o - be - dience and in - - cense of low - li - ness



bring, and a - dore him; the Lord is his Name!  
guid - ing thy steps as may best for thee be.  
these are the off - erings to lay on His shrine.  
trust for our trem - bling, and hope for our fear.  
bring, and a - dore him; the Lord is his Name!

Text: J.S.B. Monsell, 1863; Music: Greyfriars Press, 2013.



## Hymn of Communion—Give Me Jesus



1. In the morn - ing when I rise, in the morn - ing when I rise, in the morn -



- ing when I rise give me Je - - - sus.



Chorus

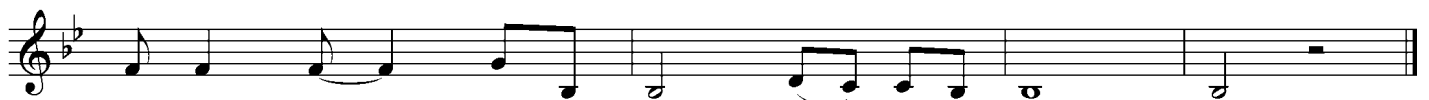
Give me Je - - - sus, give me Je - - - sus. You can



have all this world, but give me Je - - - sus.



2. And when I am a - lone, oh, and when I am a - lone, and  
3. And when I come to die, oh, and when I come to die, and



when I am a - lone give me Je - - - sus.  
when I come to die give me Je - - - sus.

Text and Music: African-American Spiritual.

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

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### Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*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 of Praise—Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; nought be all  
 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er  
 Be thou my bat - tle - shield, sword for my fight; be thou my  
 Rich es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -  
 High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by  
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,  
 dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,  
 her - i - tance now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,  
 heav-en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what-

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres-ence my light.  
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.  
 thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: *Rob to mo bboile, a Comdi cride*, Ancient Irish Poem, 8<sup>th</sup> century, trans Mary Byrne, 1880-1931;

Music: SLANE, Traditional Irish Melody.

## GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

*After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.*

### Benediction—from Psalm 119:76-77

May the steadfast love of the Lord comfort you according to His promise to His people. May His mercy come to us that we may live; and may His law be our delight. *Amen.*

### Sung Response—Christ Be With Me (*from St. Patrick's Breastplate*)

Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me, Christ be-fore me, Christ be-side me, Christ to  
win me, Christ to com-fort and re-restore me, Christ be-neath me, Christ a-bove me, Christ in qui-et, Christ in  
dan-ger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran-ger.

The image shows a musical score for a three-part setting of the hymn 'Christ Be With Me'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the vocal lines.

Text: *Atomring indui niurt tren*, St. Patrick, 372-466, Trans by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-95;  
Music: ST. PATRICK CLONMACNOISE, Traditional Irish Hymn Melody.

### HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Randy Allen, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays 5:30 p.m., Brook's house.

Chuck Emerson, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 5:00 p.m., Steffens' house.

Cy Fenton, Sundays after church, Fentons or Hensleys.

Stacy McGuire, Sundays after church, upstairs at Cornerstone.

Greg Wilbur & Matt Michaud, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 5:30 p.m., Wilbur's house.

Jim Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 6:00 p.m., Smith's house.

Two weeks ago we looked very practically at the Parable of the Good Samaritan and the call of a Christian to love his or her neighbor. Today, Luke changes gears a bit and slows us down to sit at the feet of Jesus with the story of Martha and Mary.

### Understanding the Text

- What can we learn from Luke's pairing of the Parable of the Good Samaritan with the story of Mary and Martha?
- What do you like about Martha? What do you like about Mary?
- What does Martha do wrong? What does Mary do right?
- What does Martha's frustration tell you about the state of her heart?
- Why doesn't Jesus rebuke Mary for neglecting her work as Martha suggests?

### Application of the Text

- What distracts you from sitting at the feet of Jesus and listening to His words?
- What do those distractions tell you about the state of your heart?
- How do you see our community being distracted, anxious, or troubled about many things?
- How might we encourage one another to take care of first things first?

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