



May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Prelude and Entrance of the Light

Chris Greninger

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Colleen Carroll

Responsive Call to Worship

One: This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: This is a day like no other day. We will rejoice and be glad!

One: God inhabits the praises of all children—those young and no longer young.

All: It is good, even very good to praise the Lord together in this place.

One: Come, let us worship as never before!

All: May our worship be genuine and our thoughts be divinely inspired. Amen!

Special Music

“My Jesus I Love Thee” (Public Domain)

Children’s Handbells

Call to Prayer

“Sweet Hour of Prayer” *Chalice Hymnal* #570 stz. 1 (Public Domain)

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care;
and bids me at my Father’s throne make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,

and oft escaped the tempter’s snare, by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer (using debts/debtors)

Rev. Wilson

Scripture Reading:

1 John 4:7-21

Rev. Wilson

Sermon

“Reaching Perfection”

Rev. Carroll

Song of Preparation

“Beloved” *Maranatha Music Praise Chorus Book* #51

Beloved, let us love one another,

for love is of God, and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

He that loveth not ... knoweth not God, for God is love.

Beloved, let us love one another.

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Communion Meditation and Prayer

Mark Millard

Words of Institution

Rev. Carroll

Offertory Prayer

Mark Millard

Mission Challenge

Rev. Wilson

Announcements

Rev. Carroll

Closing Song

“In Christ There Is No East or West” *Chalice Hymnal* #687 stz. 1,3 (Public Domain)

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
but one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate’er your race may be;

all children of the living God are surely kin to me.

Benediction

Rev. Carroll

Postlude and Recession of the Light

Chris Greninger



We worship today in spirit with Global Mission Co-worker,
Karen Campbell-Nelson, who serves on our behalf in **Indonesia**. For more information visit www.globalministries.org.

