

# Order of Worship for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor  
Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist

**Prelude** “The Gift of Love” Traditional English Melody

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Anderson

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 1)

Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked.

**Blessed are those who do not sit in the seat of scoffers.**

Those who delight in the law of the Lord are blessed.

**Blessed are those who meditate on God’s Word day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water whose leaves do not wither.

**They yield their fruit in season and God prospers their work.**

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the true and living way. Give us grace to love one another, to follow your commandments, and to share in the risen life of Christ, for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

**Hymn 395** “Take Time to Be Holy”

**Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, you are glorious and gracious. We confess that we do not always live up to your standards. By your Spirit, help us to love you more fully, and to show our love by following your way and seeking your will for our life. Then, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts will be fixed

where true joy is found, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Passage** 1 Peter 2:1-10

**Gospel Passage** John 14:1-14

**Sermon** “The True and Living Way” Dr. Anderson

**Offertory** “On Eagle’s Wings” Michael Joncas

**Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God, thank you for carefully tending us, especially in difficult times. You provide what we need to grow spiritually as disciples of Christ. May these offerings and our lives bear fruit and bring glory to you. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**Invitation to the Lord’s Supper**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

(Prayer continues.) ... Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

... Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer** (*trespasses*)

**Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion**

**Hymn 396** "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

**Benediction**

**Postlude** "God Be with You" William G. Tomer

### **Church Calendar**

Tuesday, May 9 9:30 am Meeting of the Trustees online  
Sunday, May 14 Worship in Union Chapel and via livestream  
Monday, May 15 Deadline for Senior Lunch reservations  
Thursday, May 18 noon Senior Lunch in Fellowship Hall

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