

Order of Worship for 5/9/21

10am CST

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*The beautiful flowers today are in memory of Lois Potter
who is celebrating her first birthday in heaven, with love from her family.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Springtime changes are bursting forth around us.

All: The earth awakens from winter with a display of wondrous color.

One: The cycle of living and dying continues.

All: As it has for ages past and will for ages to come.

One: The celebration of Easter is long past.

All: But the message of new life, new awakenings, and new possibilities remains with us. Glory to God! Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

Holy God, you made known to us the greatness of your love in Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. Keep us always in Christ's love so that we may abide by your commandments and bear lasting fruit for the world; through Jesus Christ, our faithful friend. Amen

Opening Hymn

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

#398 Presbyterian Hymnal

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain.

2 . There are blessings you cannot receive
Till you know Him in His fullness and believe;
You're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."

Refrain.

Refrain:

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right there with us, Filling us with Your love;
And for these blessings We lift our hearts in praise.
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

Prayer of Confession God of endless possibility, we confess that we do not always perceive the opportunities you place before us. Caught up in our own hopes, plans, and fantasies, and crushed when they disappoint us, we are slow to see the open pathways you set before us. Open our eyes, that we may accept the new life you offer us, and thus show forth the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Everyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is over and gone. Friends, hear and believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia, Amen.

Hymn of Response **Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks**
#106 Presbyterian Hymnal (v. 1 & 3)

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His Name.

1.
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation *Refrain*

3.
We have been crucified with Christ,
Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*

**First
Scripture Reading** Psalm 98

Anthem **Psalm 98**
Hal Hopson

**Second
Scripture Reading** John 15: 9-17

Sermon **“All You Need is Love ??”**
Rev. Judith Allen Kim

Hymn **My Song Is Love Unknown**
#2083 Sing the Faith (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

1.
My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me;
Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.
O who am I, That for my sake
My God should take Frail flesh and die?

2.
God left the richest throne, Salvation to bestow;
But Christ as flesh and bone The world refused to know.
But, O my Friend, my Friend indeed,
Who at my need did life expand.

4.
What has my Sovereign done? What make this rage and spite?
Christ gave new strength to run, restored the gift of sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
themselves displease, and 'gainst Christ rise.

5.
I sing my plain belief, One song my heart outpours:
Never was pain nor grief, Never was love like yours.
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.

Offertory Call

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #376 Presbyterian Hymnal

1.
Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art.
Visit us with thy salvation; enter ev'ry trembling heart.

2.
Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast.
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be.
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

3.
Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive.
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore they temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

4.
Finish, then, thy new creation; true and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Benediction

Closing Hymn

May You Run and Not Be Weary

#2281 Sing the Faith Hymnal

May you run and not be weary.
May your heart be filled with song.
And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
And may you run and not be weary.
May your life be filled with joy!
And may the road you travel always lead you home.

Postlude

Blessing

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