



God makes
our broken
soul whole

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 26, 2019 9:30 AM

First Presbyterian Church

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THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRAYER FOR MEDITATION: *LORD, lead us along Your perfect pathway of healing and wholeness, and help us to follow You closely, and cooperate with You fully and joyfully. Make Yourself real to us now in healing, comforting, and life-changing ways. Help us to always seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness. For it is in the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.*

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE

To God Be the Glory
Lydia Michelle Cronk, Organist

arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick

INTROIT

Jesus, Lamb of God
Chancel Choir

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#*CALL TO WORSHIP

Callie Dollar

One: We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

ALL: *In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.*

One: In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!

ALL: *Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!*

One: Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

ALL: *Praise be to God. AMEN!*

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

#*HYMN OF PRAISE: 13 *(Please stand at the introduction to the hymns)*
The Mighty God with Power Speaks (Psalm 50)

KINGSFOLD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. James Harris

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Lord, You know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So, we sit here and wonder where you are. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered also, who feared. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. For we ask this in Jesus' Name.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Dr. James Harris

One: Let the light of God's eternal love flood into your hearts this day. Feel the healing presence of God in your lives. Accept God's love and hope for you. This is the gift freely given for you by Jesus Christ, God's risen Son our Lord. Be assured that through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ that we are forgiven!

ALL: *Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!*

#* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *(Hymn: 581)*

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen, amen.

TO GIVE THANKS, PETITION AND INTERCESSION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Libby Smith

(After the Time with Children, our young friends ages 4-2ND grade are invited to the Children's Church in the Education Building. An adult will escort the children. After church the children will be escorted to their appropriate Sunday School rooms. Grades 3-5 are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for worship.)

***HYMN: 279**

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

ST. AGNES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(p. 35 in front of hymnal)*

ANTHEM

This is the Day that the Lord Has Made
Chancel Choir Interns

Hayes

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Callie Dollar

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 16:9-15 (pg. 136)

PSALM

Psalms 67 (pg. 529)

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5 (pg. 259-260)

GOSPEL READING

John 5:1-9 (pg. 96)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(in unison)* *The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional) p. 14*

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

*(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew,
sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)*

OFFERING

ORGAN *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Diane Bish

OFFERTORY *Lydia Michelle Cronk, Organist*

***Doxology (Tune: 607)** OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

***Dedicatory Prayer** *Callie Dollar*

TO GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 310** ST. THOMAS
I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION:** *We Go in Peace* Christopher
Chancel Choir

***ORGAN POSTLUDE** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. Larry Wolz
Lydia Michelle Cronk, Organist

WE WELCOME TODAY our guest organist, Lydia Michelle Cronk, a native of Memphis, who holds a Bachelor of Music degree with a major in church music. Her primary instrument is violin, but she has studied piano and organ for a number of years. She is employed at Union University where she teaches in the Community Music Center and serves as staff accompanist. She also plays with the Jackson Symphony.