The Order for Morning Worship

Pentecost

May 19, 2024 Ten-Thirty O'Clock

**At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service*

There will be no nursery or children's church available today; staying in service gives the opportunity for our children and our volunteers alike to participate in this important day in the life of the church. Thank you for your understanding.

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Highland Cathedral"
Brian McElhinney, bagpipes

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

God declares: "I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh. *Acts 2:17, 21*
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.
The young shall see visions. The elders shall dream dreams.
Both men and women shall prophesy.
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

***Hymn #1** "Holy, Holy, Holy" Nicaea

***Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)**

Gracious God, you come among your people
as One who fashioned all things,
who, face-to-face, revealed your knowledge of our lives,
and whose presence brings assurance and hope.
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love
so that in hearing and seeing the gifts of this life,
we may know the way to live in thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

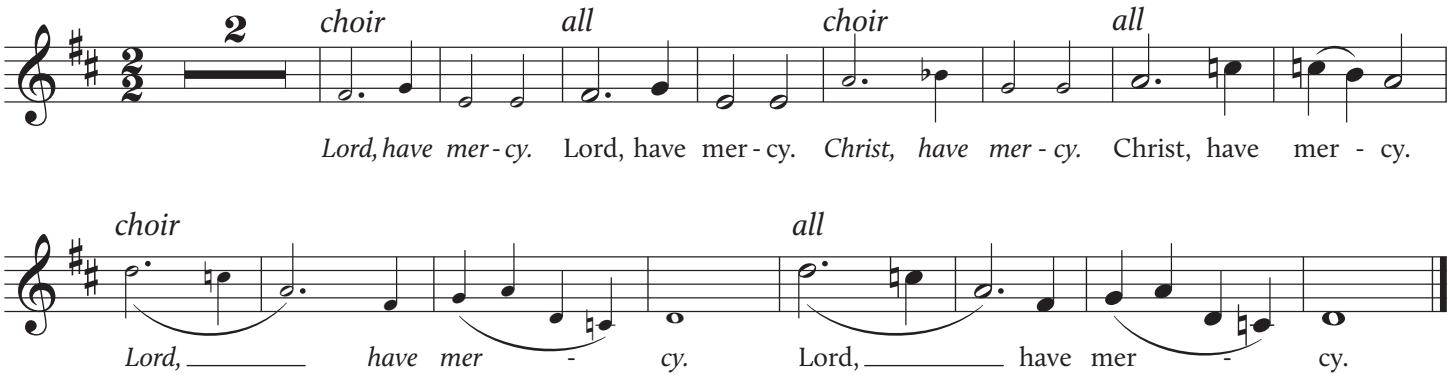
Call to Confession

Let us call on the name of the One who invites us
to speak the truth about ourselves and our relationships
and promises to show us mercy.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

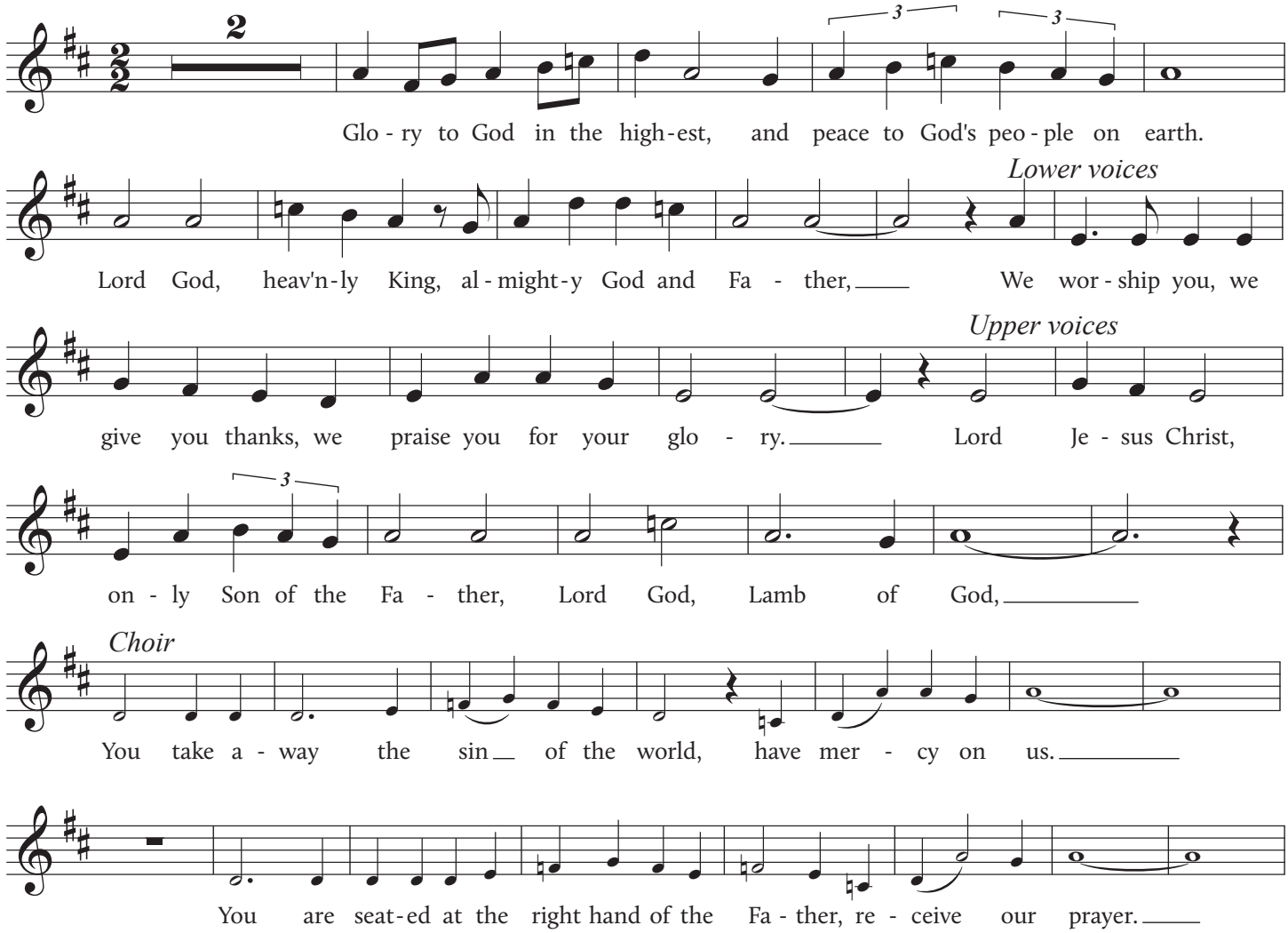
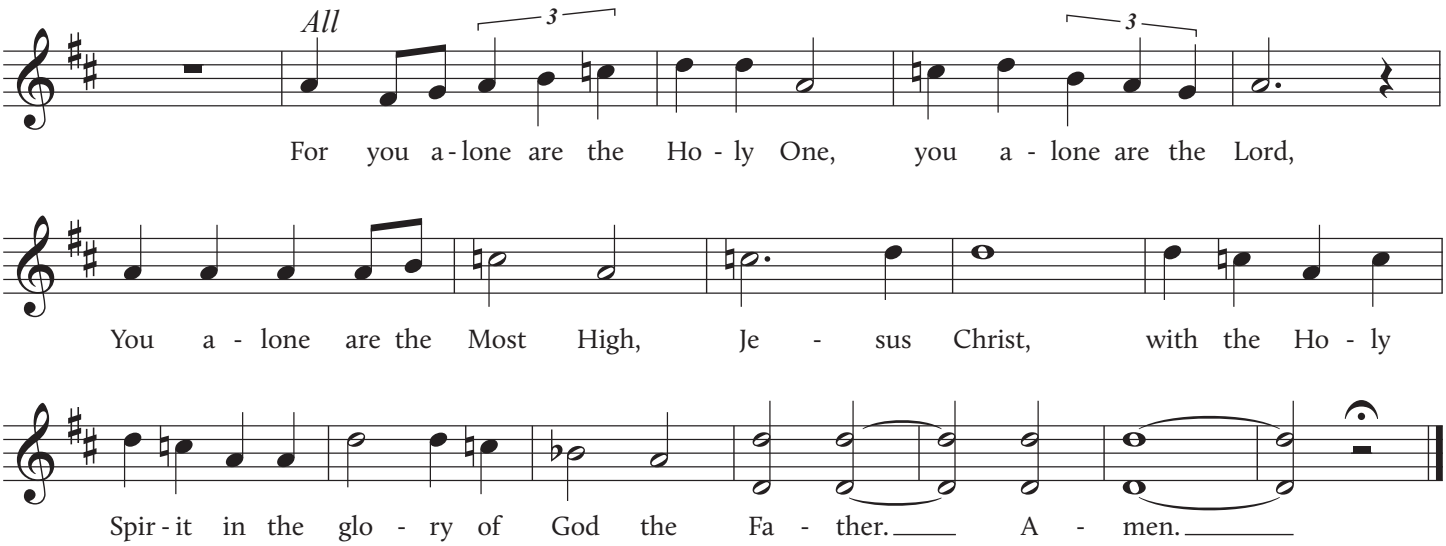
Holy and Merciful God,
we do not know how to pray as we ought, *Rom. 8:26*
and we know too well our constant failures
to do as you have commanded
and to hold fast to your word.
Forgive us for the divisions we nurture,
guide us to your way,
keep us in your care, and lead us into faith.
We trust your word that the Spirit of truth will show us all things
and grant us courage and peace. Amen.

Kyrie Fedak



***Assurance of Pardon**

Beloved people of God, body of Christ,
the Spirit of God's truth has come upon creation and upon you,
to interpret the mysteries of eternal time.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit,
in the name of Christ Jesus, our Savior,
and by the authority of the church,
I declare to you the complete forgiveness of your sin.
Be at peace with one another because of God's mercy.

***Gloria** Fedak

Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, come again.
As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people,
come to us now to fill our ears with the sound of your breath,
fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other,
fill our hearts with your good Word. **Amen**.

First Reading *"Elijah Ascends to Heaven and Elisha Succeeds Elijah"* 2 Kings 2:1–15
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 290
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible pp. 412–13

***Hymn #282** "Come Down, O Love Divine" Down Ampney

Second Reading *"The Coming of the Holy Spirit"* Acts 2:1–13
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 885
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible p. 144

Sermon Rev. Dave de Vries

After the sermon, confirmands and their parents are invited to come forward to stand along the chancel. Children are also invited to come forward and sit on the floor.

***Hymn #698** "Take, O Take Me As I Am" Take Me As I Am

Rite of Confirmation

Jace Noah Anderson
Emmerich Gene Burdeshaw
Juliana Lea Burdeshaw
Megan Christine Cooper
Levi Daniel George
Jack William Hudson
Perry Allen Randau
Lily Kate Roberts
Maxwell Reid Roberts
Nathan Matthew Skolnik
Lila Rae Tibbits

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed*, p. 35

Prayers of the People *and* the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem "The Peaceable Kingdom" G. Britt Cooper

Composed in honor of Dave DeVries and his twenty-one years of leadership in ministry as Senior Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton, OH.

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
and a little child shall lead them.
The leopard shall lie with the kid,
and a little child shall lead them.
They will not hurt or destroy on my holy mountain;
For the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord,
as the waters cover the sea,
and a little child shall lead them
The cattle shall feed with the bear,
their young shall lie down together,
and a little child, a Holy child shall lead them

***Doxology** Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God, all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia…alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)**

God of mercy, we give you thanks for all that your bounty creates.
The gifts we bring today acknowledge our debt to you
and our intent to relieve others of their burdens.
Bless what we offer and bless those who will be shown
deeds of power through them;
in Jesus' name. Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

Recognition of Pastor Dave de Vries's Retirement

Leader: Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.
People: Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
People: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits,
Leader: who forgives all your sins
and heals all your infirmities;
People: who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
Leader: who satisfies you with good things,
People: and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

***Hymn #373** "O Day of Peace" Jerusalem

Acknowledgement of the Completion of Service

Eternal God,
through all the years of our lives
your love protects and guides us.
By your Spirit you call us to varied ministries
in the service of Jesus Christ.
We praise you for your gifts to your servant Dave,
for his faithful proclamation of your word,
his administration of the holy sacraments of Jesus Christ,
and his pastoral care and leadership in the church.
Grant to Dave time for refreshment and rest,
reflection and rejoicing,
and the fullness of your peace.
Through your Holy Spirit bless each of us
that we may remember the love of Jesus Christ,
which unites us in the service of our Lord.
In the name of Christ we pray. **Amen**.

***Benediction**

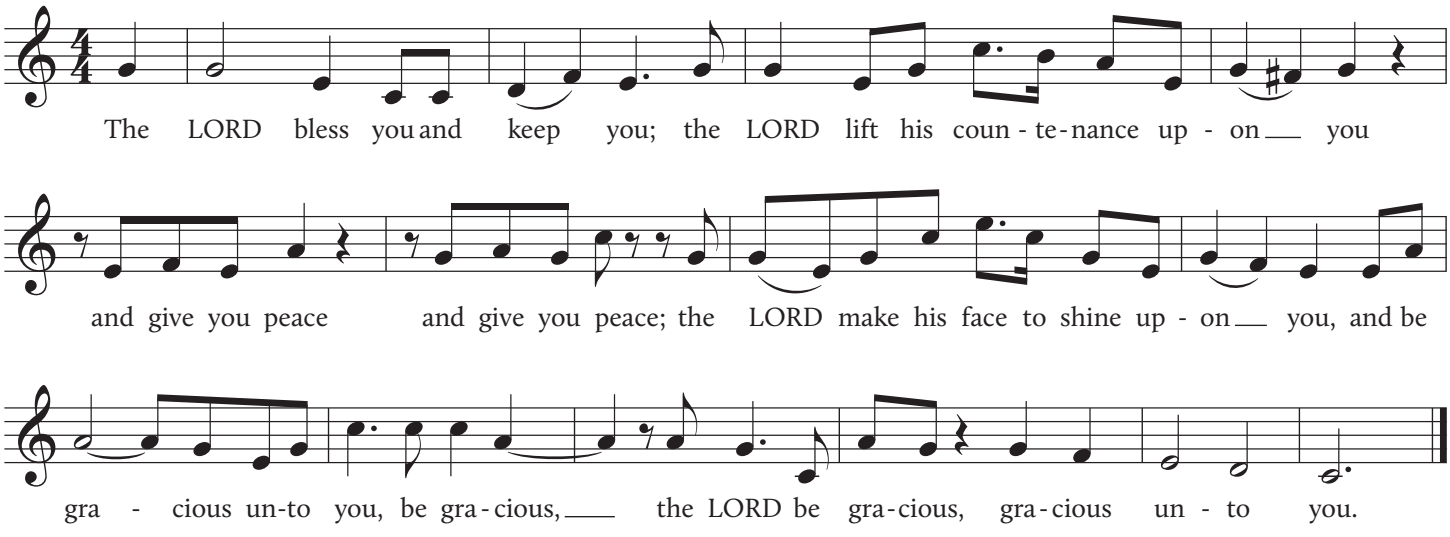
Leaders: For everything there is a season,
a time for every matter under heaven.
So, too, there is a time for movement, new adventure,
fields of service not yet touched.
With love, we send you forth in the spirit of John Wesley:
May the world be your parish.

People: Go into the world and respond to the love of Christ in all you do.
Live out the vision God has given you.
May God's mercy, grace, and peace be with you.
May you be channels for God's mercy, grace, and peace
to the world wherever you may be!

Leader: Amen!

People: Amen!

Response: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" BENEDICTION (Lutkin)



Voluntary Prelude in G Major, BWV 541 J.S. Bach

Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of May 19, 2024

Using Sunday's Order of Worship, we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week. We worship together…separately.

The Call to Worship
The Prayer of Adoration (followed by silence)
The Prayer of Confession (followed by silence)
The Assurance of Pardon
Scripture Readings: Worship texts for May 26, 2024

Mon: Isaiah 6:1–8
Tues: Psalm 29
Wed: Romans 8:12–17
Thurs: John 3:1–17
Fri: Isaiah 6:1–8
Sat: Psalm 29

Silent Meditation and Prayer (Listening for God's Voice in Scripture and Silence)
Prayers of the People (Lifting others before God)
Prayer of Dedication

Preparing for Sunday, May 26, 2024

Consider: Jesus invites us to be born from above to receive new and abundant life. Salvation, or abundant life, is understood as a present reality in the Gospel of John. If the gift of God's love made known to us in Christ through the Spirit is stirred up by gratitude, what daily practice could increase your sense of gratitude? How could a simple practice of thanking God at any given moment in the day enliven your experience of salvation?

The Cathedral Hour this morning is made possible through generous donations from members and friends of Christ Presbyterian Church.

The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Jim Maier from Paul, Greg, and Mom

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Prayers adapted from *Feasting on the Word* and *The Book of Common Worship*

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Switch hearing aid to T-coil

Activities for the Week of May 19, 2024

Sunday, May 19, 2024

9:15 AM	Sunday School (Multiple Locations)
9:30 AM	Confirmation Class (Chapel)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:45 AM	Dave's Farewell Luncheon (Westminster Hall)

Monday

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (Parlor)

Tuesday

6:00 PM	Session Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday

8:00 AM	Food and Clothing Ministry (Westminster Hall)
8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
1:30 PM	Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor)
6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday

9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study (Parlor)
7:15 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday

8:00 AM	Food Ministry Saturday Breakfast (Westminster Hall)

Sunday, May 26, 2024

8:30 AM	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)