

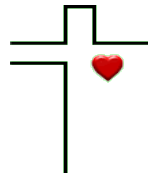


SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 10, 2009 - 10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Happy Mother's Day



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE Great is Thy Faithfulness Runyan

CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Speak to the present, tell future generations:

Anyone who loves, knows god.

We know how to love because God loved us first.

Anytime we love each other, God is there.

We are connected to God by love.

Anywhere there is love, we live in God's heart.

We need not fear, for love triumphs over fear.

Any place we see love, we see God.

Let us worship the God who is love, and who bids us to love each other.

*HYMN "O God of Love, O God of Peace" 295

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, you are the vine; apart from you we can do nothing. We live as if this were not true: we entwine ourselves in our own business rather than branching out toward others; because we do not ground ourselves in you, we wither. Lord Jesus, forgive us. Restore us to your abiding love, that we may bear fruit worthy of our calling.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

READING OF THE EPISTLE 1 John 4:7-21

God is love, and since God has loved us, we should love one another.

This is the Word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

ANTHEM Amazing Grace Carter

READING OF THE GOSPEL John 15:1-8

Jesus is the vine, and those who abide in him are the branches.

This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord
Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON Reverend Georgia N. King

*HYMN "Love Divine, All Love Excelling" 376

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed PH 14

MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

Lord, on this day . . . called our moms.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

Grant them time to share with their families.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for step-moms. **Grant them patience and understanding and love.**

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who have lost children.

Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We pray for mothers who aborted their children.

Grant them healing and peace.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.

We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.

We pray for girls and women who think about being moms.

Grant them wisdom and discernment.

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be moms.

Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother in the past year.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.

Lord, we thank . . . in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

In the Stillness of This Hour

Davidson

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION and The LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"Lift High the Cross"

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*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING RESPONSE

Amen

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*POSTLUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

- Those who are comfortable doing so are invited to stand.



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