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# Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

10:00 AM

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## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 22)

*Doug Russell, Liturgist*

One: I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you.

**All: You who fear the Lord, praise him!**

One: For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one;

**All: he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.**

One: All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord,

**All: and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,**

One: for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.

**All: They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it! Let us worship the Lord!**

\*HYMN #339 "Be Thou My Vision"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Let us offer them with joy in our hearts and a deep sense of gratitude.

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY HYMN #592

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**Holy Lord, you have perfected love among us by sending your son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. We humbly acknowledge your gift is an overwhelming pronouncement of grace. We share these tithes and offerings today with the hope that your children everywhere will be anointed with the knowledge that your perfect love casts out all fears. Amen.**

HYMN #538 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

\*CHARGE

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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\*For those who are able, please stand.

# **First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY**

**April 28, 2024**

- **Today's Usher:** Tom Eckrote
- **Child Care:** is available in the Nursery today thanks to Bea Boak and Kathy Bowen.
- **Coffee Hour:** will not be provided today. Instead, please join us for the **Baked Potato Luncheon** following worship! Sponsored by the Special Gifts Committee, we will have baked potatoes with a choice of a dozen different toppings! For dessert, we'll have brownie hot fudge sundaes. Yum!!!
- **Choir Practice:** will be held at 9:15 each Sunday before Worship.
- **The Bee-Full Food Pantry:** at Baker High School is still collecting pantry items and Aldi gift cards. Thank you for your support.
- **Mission Committee:** Thursday, May 2, 12:30 in the Media Center.
- **Worship & Music:** Monday, May 6, 10:30 in the Media Center.
- **BINGO for B'ville Meals on Wheels:** Sun., May 19, 2-5 p.m., 76 Canton Street. Look for more details in the May Tidings.

## **Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence**

Pat Dickman; Carol Hovey;  
Sandy Smith; Anthonia Todd

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## **Identity Statement**

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Nothing can be hidden from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth, whose wisdom is endless, whose mercy is great. Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**Holy Lord, you have perfected love among us by sending us your Son. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins. We humbly acknowledge that your gift to us is an overwhelming pronouncement of grace. We share these tithes and offerings today with the hope that your children everywhere will be anointed with the knowledge that your perfect love casts out all fears. Amen.**

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Gloria Patri #579

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

**WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 8:26-40  
red Bible p.1335, black Bible p.127

***Liturgist***

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE READING 1 John 4:7-21  
red Bible p. 1485, black Bible p. 241

***Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret***

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:1-8  
red Bible p. 1313, black Bible p. 109

***Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret***

SERMON “Withering Branches” ***Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret***

**WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed

**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.**

\*HYMN #2113 “Lamb of God”