

Order of Worship
May 08, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 97:1-3, 7 & 11-12)

Leader: The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

People: Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Leader: Fire goes before our God, and consumes his adversaries on every side.

People: All worshipers of images are put to shame; all other gods bow down before him.

Leader: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

People: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

*Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory" # 420

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Lord Jesus, you have said that those who love you will keep your words. You have given us your Holy Spirit to remind us of all that you have said, and your will is that our hearts would be open to hear what you still say to us in the pages of Scripture. Yet we confess that our minds are easily distracted and our hearts are easily troubled by the cares of this world. Forgive us, O Lord, and cleanse us. Grant us peace to our troubled minds, trust to our anxious hearts and healing to our ailing bodies so that your name might be praised and glorified in every part of our lives. This we pray in your name. Amen.

Confession Response: **"Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us."** # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: John 14:1-14

Sermon: "A Home in Heaven"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: "Christ Is the Sure Foundation" # 417

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

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 Spirit, 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn: "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest" insert

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: "Amen"