

First Presbyterian Church of Springfield
Order of Worship for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Organist: Mike Belote

Worship Leader: Rosemary Sprague

Moment with Young Disciples: Ross Thomas

Welcome

We Approach God

Call to Worship

Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

He offers us abiding peace and friendship that renews our souls.

Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."

He gives us wisdom that endures to guide us on our journey of life.

Jesus says, "Where I am, there you may be also." **Let us worship God!**

Prelude

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

Mike Belote

Prayer of the Day

We behold your glory, O God, in the love you have shown through your Son, who was lifted up on the cross and now is exalted on high in heaven. Be glorified anew in the love we have for one another as disciples of the risen Lord Jesus, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In faith, let us approach God's throne of grace.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, in baptism you claim us as beloved children and set us apart as witnesses to your love in Jesus Christ. At times we forget that we have received your grace and act as if you have no claim on our lives. You call us to ministries of compassion and generosity, but we make little room in our lives for mercy beyond moments of spontaneous kindness. Transform us by your Word and Spirit, that we might proclaim your good news in word and deed. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun! Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God!**

