



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2026

10:00 am

*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.
Liturgist for today's worship is Lucian Robinson.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP* *(from Psalm 31)*

I take refuge in you, Lord. Rescue me by your righteousness.

Listen closely to me! Deliver me quickly.

Be a rock that protects me;

Be a strong fortress that saves me!

You are definitely my rock and my fortress.

Guide me and lead me for the sake of your good name!

I entrust my spirit into your hands;

You, Lord, God of faithfulness—you have saved me.

HYMN* “*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*” 394
(tune of “*Angels from the Realms of Glory*”)

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

O God, we come before you knowing our sin, or not. We come having tried hard, failed sometimes, often been discouraged. We are mixed-up people. Our best efforts are touched with impurities; our worst days have flecks of glory that we might not notice. We thank you that you are always there, forgiving our sins and refining our virtues. Give us faith to accept your grace, and be given new birth.

[silence]

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*
RESPONSE TO PARDON 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

GOSPEL – John 14:1-14

Lucian Robinson

“Don’t be troubled. Trust in God. Trust also in me.”

OFFERING OF MUSIC

NEW TESTAMENT – 1 Peter 2:2-10

SERMON

Dr. Linda Dickerson

“Stones”

CHORAL RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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**In remembrance of me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of me, pray for the time
when God’s own will is done.**

**In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me, open the door
and let your neighbors in, let them in.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . . with the faithful of every time and place

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in**

the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

... we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing of bread and cup

Prayer: You have given yourself to us, Lord; now we give ourselves for others. Your love has made us a new people; as a people of love we will serve you with joy. Your glory has filled our hearts; help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

HYMN* *“O Christ, the Great Foundation”* 361

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE* 295, v. 3

**Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

FELLOWSHIP TIME – All are welcome!