

Mother's Day/7th Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018

Please silence all cell phones

**Please stand as able*

PREPARATION

Silent Prayer and Meditation - Psalm 23:1

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Prelude *When We Are Living* DIEMER

Greetings and Announcements (Please sign pew pads)

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit *There's a Spirit of Love in This Place*

*Call to Worship

Praise the Lord, Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed!

Hallelujah!

Amen.

Today is a glorious day a day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Today is a day to be with those we love.

Let us live together in perfect harmony this day.

Today is a day of sunshine and Spring.

Let us worship God and sing our praise and thanks.

Come, let us love one another.

As we are loved by God. Amen.

*Hymn 187 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* BRADBURY

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord, we know that you provide for us, and yet we still are never satisfied. No matter how much we have, we still find fault. No matter how healthy our mind is, we can always find someone's we think is better. No matter how healthy our body is, we complain about its imperfections.

We know that goodness and mercy follow us everywhere we go. Yet we find fault in so much around us. Lord, forgive us. Help us to truly know and believe that we are completely loved by you and that we will live in your home and that you will live in us forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise No 581 *Gloria Patri*

*The Exchange of Peace

Peace be with you! **And also with you!**

(Greet one another, sharing God's peace.)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon and the Lord's Prayer

The Congregation sings Jesus Loves Me! vs. 1

(Children and Youth are excused for Church School.)

Anthem *The Gift of Love* arr. HOPSON

Reading from the Old Testament Psalm 23

Reading from the New Testament John 10:11-18

Sermon *The Lord Is My Mother* Rev. Kloepfer

*Hymn 465 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* CONVERSE

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Offering

Minute for Mission *Pentecost Offering* Christina Ravenhall

Offertory

*Doxology 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYDY NOS

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Mothers
hold their
children's hands
for a while,
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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLLOWING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE