

Contemporary Worship

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

GATHERING MUSIC

Joyful, Joyful – Hall/Herms

*Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love.
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You, op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.*

*Joyful, joyful, we adore You!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You!
Joyful, joyful, we adore You, joyful, we adore You!*

*All Your works with joy surround You, earth and heav'n reflect Your ways.
Stars and angels sing around You, center of unbroken praise.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.*

*God our Father, Christ our brother; all who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine.*

WELCOME

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Assembly: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

OPENING PRAYER

SONG *

They'll Know We Are Christians/Awesome God

*A * in the order of service indicates that those who are able are invited to stand.*

Verse 1: We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.
Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above.
With wisdom, power and love, Our God is an awesome God!

Verse 2: We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land...*chorus*

Verse 3: We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride...*chorus*

Verse 4: All praise to the Father from whom all things come.
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one...*chorus*

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GOSPEL LESSON *

John 13:31-35

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the thirteenth chapter.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

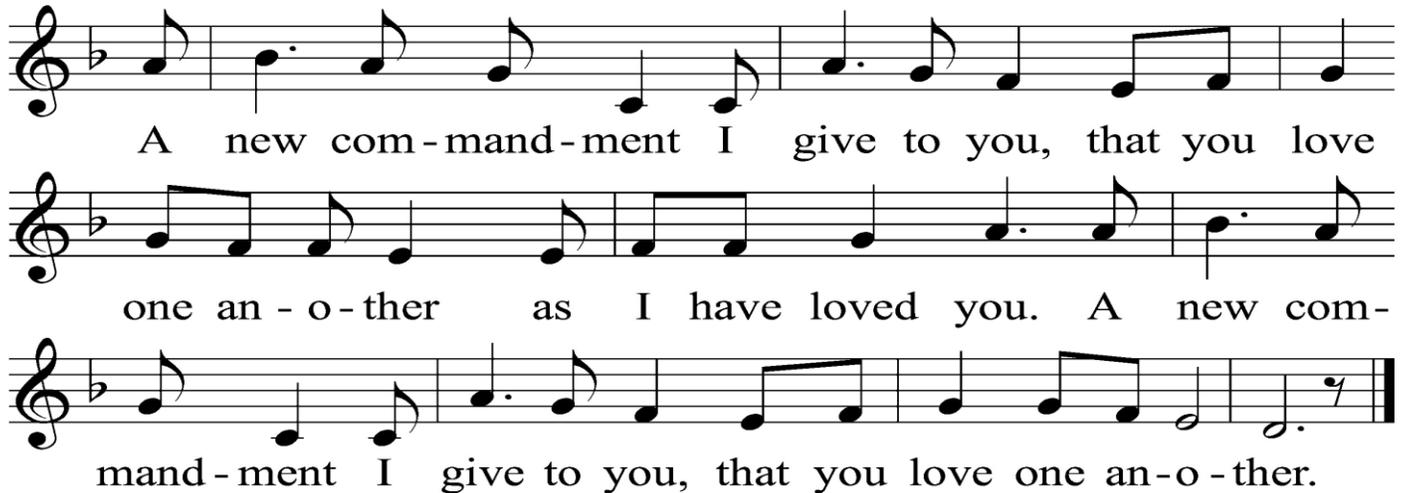
Assembly: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG *

A New Commandment I Give to You



A new com-mand-ment I give to you, that you love
one an - o - ther as I have loved you. A new com-
mand-ment I give to you, that you love one an-o - ther.

PRAYERS *

The assembly responds to each petition ending in "God, in your mercy,"

Assembly: hear our prayer.

The assembly responds to the final petition ending with "through Jesus Christ, our Savior."

Assembly: Amen.

OFFERING

*A New Commandment – Nazareth/Moore
Praise Team*

A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall all know that you are My disciples, if you have love one for another.

You are My friends if you do what I command you. Without My help you can do nothing.

I am the true vine, My Father is the gardener. Abide in Me; I will be with you.

True love is patient, not arrogant, nor boastful; love bears all things, love is eternal.

CONFESSION *

Assembly: God of all people,

our hearts are too narrow, our perspectives are too small.

We reject those who are not like us— those with different political opinions,
those who struggle with mental illness, those who disagree with us.

We forget that all are your beloved children,
and neglect your call to love one another.

Forgive us, O God,

for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love.

Show us how to be more caring.

Teach us how to love one another, and make us faithful disciples.

Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS *

WORDS OF INSTITUTION *

LORD'S PRAYER *

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

*All those who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome to the table.
We invite you to come forward to receive the communion elements from the pastors.
All of the elements are prepackaged and are gluten free.
You may open the elements and partake of them at the communion rail
and dispose of the packaging in the baskets provided
or take the elements back to your pew to partake of them and dispose of the packaging after the service.
Paper bags for the packaging disposal are available on the communion rail as needed.
"Bread from the Lord's Table" and/or a pastoral blessing are available for children who do not yet commune.*

Communion Server: The body of Christ, given for you.
 The blood of Christ, shed for you

Communion Receiver: Amen.

The Gospel in a Word Is Love

Verse 1: Love, love, love, love, the gospel in a word is love,
 Love your neighbor as your brother; love, love, love.

Verse 2: Peace, peace, peace, peace, the gospel in a word is peace.
 Peace that passes understanding; peace, peace, peace.

Verse 3: Joy, joy, joy, joy, the gospel in a word is joy.
 Joy that fills to overflowing; joy, joy, joy.

Verse 4: Christ, Christ, Christ, Christ, the gospel in a word is Christ.
 Love Him, serve Him, and adore Him; Christ, Christ, Christ.

Words American Folk Hymn, Music: English Folk Melody

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Leader: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

Assembly: Amen.

BLESSING *

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Assembly: Amen.

SONG *

Walk in the Spirit of Love

Verse 1: Walk in the spirit of love,
Walk in the spirit of love,
Love one another as Jesus loves you,
Walk in the spirit of love.

Verse 2: Live in the spirit of love,
Live in the spirit of love,
Love one another as Jesus loves you,
Live in the spirit of love.

Verse 3: Serve in the spirit of love,
Serve in the spirit of love,
Love one another as Jesus loves you,
Serve in the spirit of love.

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DISMISSAL *

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Assembly: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Go in peace. Share the good news of God's love.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

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FLOWER DEDICATION:

The altar flowers are given by Ed and Marilyn Razler in memory of his father, Edward Razler, Sr., who was born on May 17, 1917 and died May 31, 2009.

The organ flowers are given in memory of her son, Calvin Jenei, by Karen Jenei.

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