

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 A.M. May 22, 2016

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us prepare for worship by praying,  
meditating and listening to the organ prelude.

The Ringing of the Church Bell

The Prelude

The Welcome and Concerns of the Church

The Choral Introit

### THE GATHERING

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: God finds delight in humanity, and in each of us.  
Let us rejoice before the majesty of our creator.

**People: How majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Leader: In Christ, we are called to endure and to hope.  
Let us give thanks for a faith that brings peace.

**People: God of grace and glory, Savior of your people,  
How precious to us is your gift of Jesus Christ!**

Leader: The Holy Spirit is present to guide and direct us,  
Let us listen that we may hear and do what is true.

**People: God of grace and glory, ever present with us,  
How reassuring is the love with which you surround us!**

\*The Hymn No. 16

"We Come Unto Our Father's God"

\*The Prayer of Confession

**God of Widsom, our choices have denied you. We drink from the shallow waters of instant gratification when you offer springs of water from the depths of your love. We pursue our own fame and glory, which crumble into dust when we view the sacrifice and service that build true character. O God, we confess that we have not put first things first. We have not lived up to the crown of glory and honor you offer us. Recall us to wonder and guide us in the way of truth. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The glory of God is revealed anew to us in the birth of children. We are reborn when we pause to marvel at the gift of life, when we look beyond ourselves to gaze at the stars. Before the vast mystery of time and space, we are amazed that God cares for us, forgives us and entrusts to us the stewardship of the earth.

**People: God's love is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Thanks be to God!**

THE WORD

The Children's Time

The Choral Anthem

The Prayer of Illumination

The New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:22-32

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

The Sermon

**"A Transformed Man"**

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Choral Response

\*The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

\*The Gloria Patri

The Bringing of the Tithes, Offerings and Gifts

The Offertory

\*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

\*The Hymn No. 298

"Lord Speak to Me that I May Speak"

\*The Charge and Benediction

Congregation Response

*Lift High the Cross*

*Come, Christians follow where the Savior trod. The Lamb victorious,  
Christ the Son of God. Lift High the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.*