

# Grove Presbyterian Church

## Service of Worship

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2017

10:15 AM

### -- Ready for the Word --

Announcements and Welcome

Moment for Worship

Musical Prelude

Cathy Sanders  
arranged by Larson

### **“Here I Am, Lord”**

Invitation to Worship

*Leader: Christ came to offer us abundant life and direction in faith. We are here today as seekers of such life.*

**People: We gather in the name of Jesus Christ. We gather to follow in his steps.**

*Leader: Let us worship our Lord.*

Choral Beginning

by Young

### **“Alleluia! Alleluia!”**

\*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 423

### **“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”**

We Confess Together

*If love is patient, why are we irritable? If love is kind, why are we hostile? If love is not jealous or boastful, why do we flaunt our achievements in the presence of others? O God, in Jesus you have shown love which forgives imperfection; only in him can we forsake childish ways. Forgive our lack of love, and have mercy upon us.*

Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: God provides for us as a good shepherd provides for a flock of sheep.*

**People: In fearful times, amid loss, the Shepherd's care is always available.**

*Leader: Though at times we might stray, God always welcomes us back. In this we have our assurance.*

\*Response

Hymnbook No. 220, verse 4

*“For why? The Lord our God is good, His mercy is forever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.”*

### -- Receiving the Word --

\*Passing of the Peace

Children's Story

\*Song of Praise

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### **“In Christ Alone”**

**Verses 1,2: Cathy Sanders, Choir**

**Verse 3: Congregation**

**\* Choir Interlude \* Verse 4: Congregation**

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 259)

1 Samuel 16: 1-11

New Testament Lesson (page 61)

Luke 4: 16-30

Reflection

**“Judging a Baseball by Its Horsehide”**

Musical Offering

by Martin

### **“A Blessing of Music”**

### -- Responding to the Word --

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

arranged by Vandall

### **“Standing in the Need of Prayer”**

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Those who wish, are invited to say to your neighbor when you serve them:*

*...the body of Christ broken for you...*

*...the blood of Christ shed for you...*

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Hymnbook Pg. 16

\*Song of Commitment

Hymnbook

No. 386

### **“O for a World”**

\*Blessing

\*Choral Benediction

### **“On Christ the Solid Rock”**

\*Postlude

by Williams

### **“Majestic Postlude”**

\*Please rise as able

Participants in today's service include: Greg Bitler, Ted McCaffery (prelude), Emma G. Gibson (Worship Leader), Senior Choir (choral beginning and benediction, musical offering), Jud Bennett (children's story), Joy Christian (organist), and Steve Cureton (reflection). Reflection for next week: *“Two Dots Apart”*