

Grove Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

(5th Sunday of Easter)

10:15 AM

May 14, 2017

--Ready for the Word--

Announcements and Welcome

Musical Prelude

by Giamanco

“Processional in B-flat”

Invitation to Worship

Leader: Let us gaze into heaven and see the glory of God. Let us lift up our eyes to behold the risen Christ.

People: God is our rock and refuge, a strong fortress. Christ leads us and guides us every day.

Leader: Let us enter the sanctuary God prepares for us.

People: We have come to find the way, the truth, and the life. We are here to ask, receive, and to serve.

Leader: Let us worship our Lord.

Choral Beginning

by Perrin

“When I Look Into Your Holiness”

*We Sing Together

Open Hymn Medley

We Confess Together – from 1 Peter 2

O Cornerstone of God, we know what the scripture tells us. We are to rid ourselves of all malice, guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Yet, this is often hard for us to do. Help us strengthen our resolve and no longer reject you and your teachings. We ask that you deliver us from ourselves. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness – from 1 Peter 2

Leader: Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight.

People: As living stones, ourselves, may we be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Christ.

Leader: Friends, you are God’s own people, so believe in the good news. Through Christ, the cornerstone, we are forgiven.

*Response

Hymnbook No. 391, verse 3

“Take My Life”

*Take my voice, and let me sing, Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.*

--Receiving the Word--

*Passing of the Peace

Children’s Story

*Song of Praise

Hymnbook No. 392

“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”

Prayer for Understanding

First Scripture Lesson (page 128)

Acts 9: 36-43

Second Scripture Lesson (page 108)

John 13: 31-38

Reflection

“Two Dots Apart”

Musical Offering

arranged by Martin

“Spirit of God”

--Responding to the Word--

Prayers of the People and 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 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, for ever. Amen.

Offertory

arranged by Schrader

“Amen”

*Hymn of Commitment

Hymnbook No. 391

“Take My Life”

(verses 1,2,5,6)

*Blessing

*Choral Benediction

by De Blicek

“Were I to Cross From Land to Land”

(Psalm 139)

*Musical Postlude

by Sanderman

“Duchy Road Tromba”

*Please rise as able

Participants in today’s service include: Adam D. Zakarian (worship leader), Senior Choir (musical offering), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Steve Cureton (reflection). Reflection for next week: *Visiting Preacher – Steve Engelhardt*