

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF THE RISEN CHRIST

PRELUDE

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Arr. Carter

+CALL TO WORSHIP

This place for us is Holy Ground.
The place where we sing songs of praise to the Lord,
and repeat the stories of faith
that inspire us to respond to Christ’s love.
God called us here,
and with his presence breaks the walls we have placed around us.
God meets us in our weakness, in our humanity.
Let us praise the Lord.

[Based on a Call to Worship by Rev. MaryAnn R. Rennie, a pastor in the Church of Scotland]

+OPENING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

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BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS
AND PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 3: 1-15

PSALTER Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b

O give thanks to the Lord; call on his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.

Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles and the judgments he uttered,
O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
Then Israel came to Egypt;
Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.
And the Lord made his people very fruitful
and made them stronger than their foes,
whose hearts he then turned to hate his people,
to deal craftily with his servants.
He sent his servant Moses and Aaron, whom he had chosen.
Praise the Lord!

SECOND LESSON

Romans 12: 9-21

+ GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 16: 21-28

+ACCLAMATION

Gloria Patri

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SERMON

+HYMN

Living for Jesus

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

#880

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Mission Moment

Offertory

+Doxology

Holy Ground

Geron Davis

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WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD & NEIGHBOR



+CLOSING HYMN *Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing* # 671

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE *Good News!* Arr. Carter

Service of the Word



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