St. Andrew Worship

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May 7, 2023 Sunday at 10:30 AM Worship Leaders:

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Welcome and Announcement

<u>Introit</u> "Fanfare"

St. Andrew Bell Choir

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

How glorious it is to hear of Jesus' resurrection.

At his death, our hearts cried out and we felt lost.

But he comes to us and walks with us, even now.

In the holy word, in the music, in the prayers, he is present with us. Open your hearts to the Lord.

Lord, help us really be ready to receive you into our lives. AMEN.

*Hymn 401

"Here in This Place"

Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young; our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face. We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away: here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Time of Reflection "The Servant Girl at Emmaus" — Denise Levertov

She listens, listens, holding her breath.

Surely that voice is his — the one who had looked at her, once,

across the crowd, as no one ever had looked?

Had seen her?

Had spoken as if to her?

Surely those hands were his, taking the platter of bread from hers just now?

Hands he'd laid on the dying and made them well?

Surely that face —?

The man they'd crucified for sedition and blasphemy.

The man whose body disappeared from its tomb.

The man it was rumored now some women had seen this morning, alive?

Those who had brought this stranger home to their table don't recognize yet with whom they sit.

But she in the kitchen, absently touching the wine jug she's to take in, a young Black servant intently listening, swings round and sees the light around him and is sure.



"The Kitchen Maid with the Supper at Emmaus" by Diego Valázquez, c.1620

(Time of silent reflection)

Assurance of Grace

As we see ourselves in the words and pictures Lord, help us to reflect on our ways of service, our ability to offer hospitality to you, our vulnerability in your presence.

Response: "Gloria Patri"

Anthem "Communion Medley"

St. Andrew Bell Choir

Prayers of the People

"Come and Fill"

*Hymn 510

"We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"

We gather here in Jesus' name;

his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;

for through the loving Son the Father makes us one:

Refrain: { Come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord. }

No one is a stranger here; everyone belongs.

Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs.

He joins us here; he breaks the bread; the Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead; the one we love the most is now our gracious host: Refrain

We are now a family, of which the Lord is head. Though unseen, he meets us herein the breaking of the bread.

We'll gather soon where angels sing; we'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King; now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:

Refrain

<u>Living the Word</u> ~ (Luke 24:13-35)

Rev. Anne McAnelly & Rev. Jane Grady

Response "Day of Arising"

St. Andrew Choir

Sermon "When Hearts Burn"

Rev. Jane Grady

Offertory "Dona Nobis Pacem"

St. Andrew Bell Choir

Doxology Offering Prayer

Communion

Closing Prayer (Unison)

Risen Christ walk with us. Be our companion and guide, be our teacher and friend, be our host and servant bringing your gifts of faith, peace and hope and deep joy as always. May we share these gifts with our community and companions on the road of life. Amen.

*Hymn 515

"I Come with Joy"

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free, the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near, is in such friendship better known, alive among us here, alive among us here.

Together met, together bound by all that God has done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.