

**Order of Worship Service**  
**May 2, 2021**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday/Communion Sunday**

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| <b>PRELUDES</b>                   | Like as a Father – Cherubini/Lovelace<br>In My Father’s House – Courtney   |
| <b>WELCOME</b>                    |  |
| <b>RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP</b> | <i>*printed below</i>  |
| <b>OUR RESPONSE HYMN #809</b>     | Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD HUNDREDTH)  |
| <b>OPENING PRAYER</b>             |  |
| <b>HYMN</b>                       | We Thank You, Lord (AURELIA) <i>*lyrics printed below</i>  |
| <b>CHOIR VIDEO</b>                | For the Beauty of the Earth – Rutter <i>*sung at the first worship service on May 5, 1991</i><br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xlBkpAm3fhw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xlBkpAm3fhw</a> |
| <b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>          | John 15:1-8<br><b>Reader: <i>The Word of the Lord.</i> Congregation response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i></b>   |
| <b>QUARTET</b>                    | May We Be One - Snowdon <i>*lyrics printed below</i>   |
| <b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>          | 1 John 4:7-21<br><b>Reader: <i>The Word of the Lord.</i> Congregation response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i></b>   |
| <b>VIDEO HYMN</b>                 | O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (EBENEZER)<br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUDHQICIPAG">HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=CUDHQICIPAG</a>   |
| <b>PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE</b>      | Wilma Wiens<br><b>Leader: <i>In our words, our silence, our actions, may our motivation be, Alleluia, Christ is risen!</i></b><br><b>Congregation: <i>He is risen indeed!</i></b>                      |
| <b>QUARTET</b>                    | The Church is An Ark - Choplin <i>*lyrics printed below</i>  |
| <b>MESSAGE</b>                    | A Church that Bears Fruit on the Vine of Christ Leshia Verkerk   |
| <b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>             | We Come as Guests Invited (PASSION CHORALE)<br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fZXch9NHk0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fZXch9NHk0</a>   |
| <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>             |  |
| <b>CHORAL BENEDICTION</b>         | Let the Peace of Christ - Ijames   |
| <b>POSTLUDE</b>                   | The Lord is Great – Mendelssohn  |

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| Worship Leader                        | Wilma Wiens                 |
| Minister of Pastoral & Spiritual Care | Wilma Wiens                 |
| Minister of Music                     | Margot Sim                  |
| Scripture Readers                     | Wilma Wiens, Leshia Verkerk |

Quartet

Els Penner, Lisa Hargraves,  
Peter Hargraves, Ken Penner

String Trio

Emily Hargraves - violin, Anne Hargraves - viola,  
Dorothy Hargraves - cello

**NEXT SUNDAY – May 9:** Cameron McKenzie will be speaking on “The Fruit is Love” with scriptures I John 5:1-6 and John 15:9-17

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**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: On this Anniversary Sunday, we look back and we remember.

**ALL: We honour those who have gone before us.**

LEADER: We celebrate who we are today,

**ALL: And welcome the possibilities and opportunities before us.**

LEADER: We gather to worship God,

**ALL: The God of yesterday, today and tomorrow.**

LEADER: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**ALL: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

LEADER: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who has made us, and we are his,

**ALL: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

LEADER: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise,

**ALL: Give thanks to him and praise his name.**

LEADER: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever,

**ALL: His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**WE THANK YOU, LORD** (Beth Stilborn)

We thank you, Lord, for life, and we praise you, Lord, for joy,  
For wisdom, hope and courage that nothing can destroy.  
We thank you for the vision that caused this church to grow  
That all whom we encounter your grace and strength may know.

We thank you for the people who, throughout all the years,  
Have drawn this church together through laughter and through tears,  
For those who've gone before us, surrounding us today,  
Who urge us ever onward to follow in your way.

To you, O God, Creator, we offer thanks and praise,  
Through Christ and through the Spirit your love lights all our days.  
We thank you for the future – may coming years still prove  
That we remain your people, still guided by your love.

**MAY WE BE ONE** (based on John 17:21-26)

May we be one so that others may believe  
that Jesus came from God.

May we be one with the glory that was given to God's only Son.

Let us know the love of perfect unity,

The love that gave Christ to this world.

And let us see the glory of the Holy One

Reflected in our deeds and in our words.

May we be one with compassion that unites  
our hearts as one with God. May we be one.

**THE CHURCH IS AN ARK** (Pepper Choplin)

The church is an ark that carries the Word,

And all who believes the Gospel heard,

**Chorus:** This ark was built by nail-scarred hands,  
Made from the wood of a cross.

Its builder suffered hate and scorn,

And many refused to come aboard.

And still, it waits with open door.

**Chorus**

The church is an ark that's ready to save

The weary soul from wind and wave.

This ark will stand through every storm,

And still, it waits with open door.

**Chorus**

This ark was built from heaven's plans

And now it sails to promised lands.

The Spirit Dove leads on before.

This ark will stand through every storm.

And still, it waits with open door.

**Chorus**

And when we reach our paradise

And heaven's rainbow fills our eyes,

We'll rise to praise and thank the Lord

For the ark that brought us to this shore.

The Spirit Dove leads on before.

This ark will stand through every storm,

And still, it waits with open door.

**Chorus**

The church is an ark that carries the Word.

The church is an ark for all who have heard.

**Chorus**

**LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST** (based on Colossians 3:15-17)

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
To which you were called in one body.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
To which you were called and be thankful.

In all that you do in deed, do all in the name of the Lord.  
Giving thanks to the Father, teach the Word to each other in song.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
To which you were called in one body.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
To which you were called and be thankful.