



# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

May 17, 2020  
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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## PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord**

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### We Gather as God's People

#### RINGING OF THE BELL

#### WELCOME

This is the day the Lord has made.  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

#### PRELUDE

Sonatina Op 36 No 3. 1. Spiritoso

M. Clementi

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Psalm 66, selected verses**

Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried. We went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

#### HYMN

**Open My Eyes, That I May See**

OPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.  
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

Loving God, we gather to celebrate your presence with us; to offer you our praise and prayers and our love and commitment to Christ's ministry. Roll away the stones which would entomb us in our fears, our doubt, our cynicism and our lack of vision. Open our eyes to recognize your presence here among us. Open our hearts to the love you have for us. Open our minds to the truth you would reveal to us. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

Woman, Weeping in the Garden  
Peggy Vaughan, Soprano

V. Earle Copes

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Mark 16: 1-8**

**SERMON**

**“When the Ending is Not the Ending”**

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Der Dichter spricht (The Poet Speaks) Op 15, No 13

Robert Schumann

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR LORD’S PRAYER**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, forever. Amen.*

**HYMN**

**I Love to Tell the Story**

HANKEY

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know tis true;  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story, twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God’s own holy Word.

Refrain

**WE GO FORTH AS GOD’S PEOPLE**

**BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**May the Love of the Lord**

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**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.  
May God’s love dwell in you, throughout every day.  
May God’s countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May God’s Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

**POSTLUDE**

Fanfare and Ode to Joy

L. V. Beethoven

Worship Leadership  
Gail Bosch, Office Administrator and Webpage  
John Holter, Pianist and Art Selection  
Joanne Lang, Chair of Worship Ministry Team, Worship Leader  
Ron Skinner, Audio and Video  
Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher  
Peggy Vaughan, Director of Music Ministries and Soloist