

Order of Service for May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee - the assembly sings; see hymns provided

Greeting

Prayer of the Day – Let us pray,

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Scripture Readings - Acts 10:44-48 & 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation – *Thy Word* – the assembly sings; see hymns provided

Gospel Reading - John 15:9-17

Sermon

The Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the People – we respond to “Lord in your mercy” with “Hear our Prayer”

Offering Prayer - Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving – the assembly sings; see hymns provided

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer – we pray in unison the prayer our Lord taught us

Distribution

A New Commandment and Jesus Loves Me! – the assembly sings; see hymns provided

Blessing

Prayer

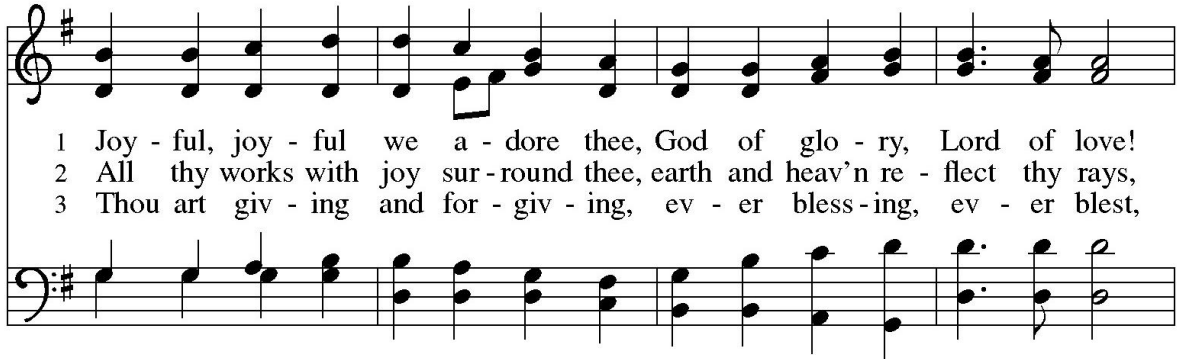
Benediction

Shout to the Lord – the assembly sings; see hymns provided

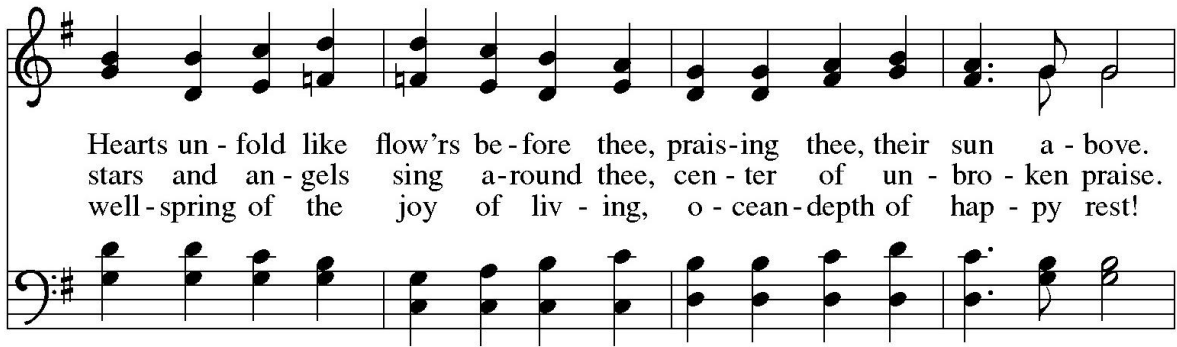
Dismissal – congregation responds – **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**



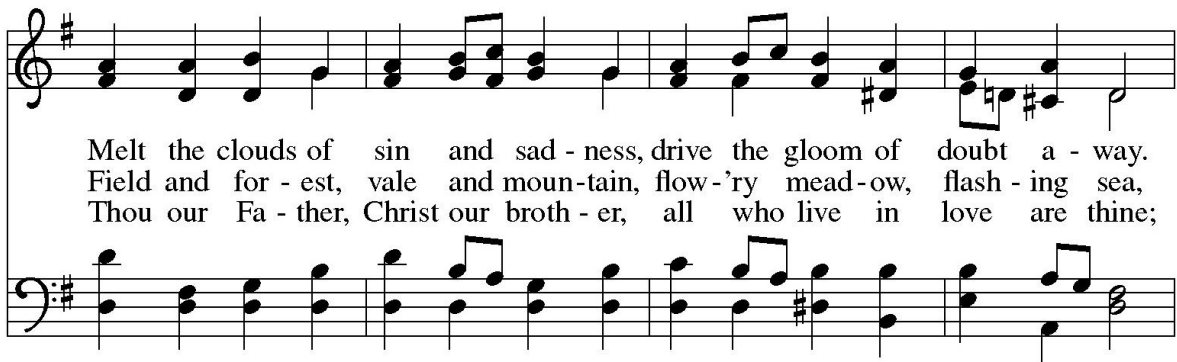
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Gospel Acclamation: (Repeat)

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Thy word

Refrain

F C⁷ F B \flat C⁷ F B \flat F

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

A New Commandment

A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as

I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you.

By this shall peo-ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if

you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know

you are my dis - ci - ples: if you have love one for an - oth - er.

Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics provided for three different verses.

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment, with lyrics describing the care of Jesus for the weak and the promise of eternal life.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

The refrain is marked with a repeat sign and consists of two phrases: 'Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,'.

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

The final system concludes the piece with the lyrics 'yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.'

Shout to the Lord



My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like you.



All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of your might - y love.



My com - fort, my shel - ter, tow - er of ref - uge and strength;



let ev - ry breath, all that I am nev - er cease to wor - ship you.



Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise



to the King. Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the



sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;



for - ev - er I'll love you, for - ev - er I'll stand.



Noth - ing com - pares to the prom - ise I have in you.

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