

# 9:15AM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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PRELUDE

"Improvisation on *Faithful*"  
"Prelude in F"

(Percy Whitlock)  
(Alfred Hollins)

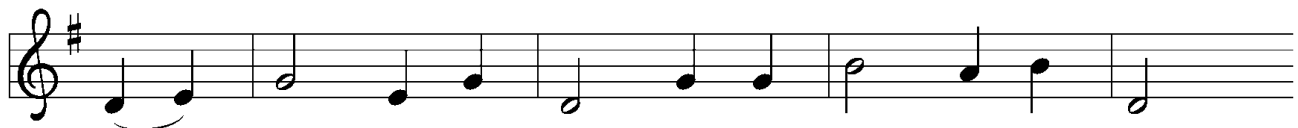
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Josh Auchenbach

ENTRANCE HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

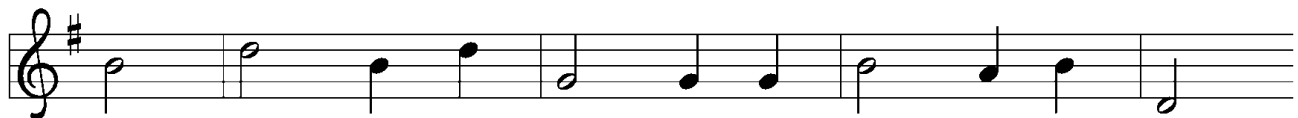
#796, st. 1,2,3



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.



What more can he say than to you he has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."  
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."

## GREETING

*Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**All: And also with you.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Pastor: Rejoicing in Christ's victory over sin and death, let us come before God who calls us to repentance. (Moment of silence.) God of life,*

**All: All: by the resurrection of your Son you make everything new. Newness scares us, and we confess to shutting our doors in fear. We have not listened to voices that challenge us. We have resisted the Holy Spirit moving us in new directions. Our hearts are slow to believe your promises. Forgive us, O God, and renew us to embrace without fear the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Pastor: Christ is alive, and death has lost its power. Through the waters of baptism you have been born anew by the living word of God. Know that your sins are forgiven in Jesus' name and that the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive in you both now and forever. Amen.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor George Karres

## FIRST READING

Acts 6:8-14

## SECOND READING

Acts 7:1-2,51-60

*Pastor: Word of God. Word of life.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## MESSAGE

"Looking Up"

Pastor George

## PRAYERS

## OFFERING

"How Can I Keep From Singing"

(arr. G. Walker)

TVLC Chancel Choir; Jennifer Wortman, directing; Woan Ching Lim, pianist

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Pastor: Let us pray together. Gracious God,*

**All: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Lamb of God"

#195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

"Be Thou My Vision"

#793



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



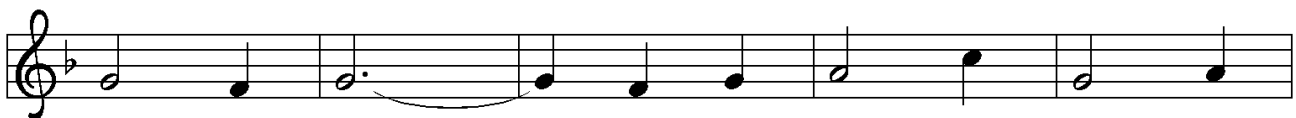
your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as -  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.


POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION


SONG

"Lift High the Cross"


#660, st. 1,2,4




Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

DISMISSAL

*Pastor: Go in peace. Follow Jesus and share his love.*

**All: Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

"Bénédiction"

(George Jakob)