

ORDER OF WORSHIP
MAY FOURTH, 2025
Third Sunday of Easter
All Are Welcome

"We are not converted only once in our lives but many times and this endless series of conversions and inner revolutions leads to our transformation." -Thomas Merton

PRELUDE "O God Beyond All Praising" arr. Marty Haugen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #13 Pilgrim Hymnal "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him"

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: May the Fourth Be With You!

Many: And also with you!

One: Did you know that today was Star Wars Day? Are you excited?

Many: Well, we're not sure if it's relevant. We ARE in church.

One: Oh, but it is! And since Star Wars Day usually doesn't fall on a Sunday, I've taken this happy coincidence to preach about The Theology of Star Wars!

Many: You can certainly try.

One: Do or do not: there is no try. Let us join in our worship together.

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 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

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY "Compensation" Charles Lloyd Jr.

DOXOLOGY #778 New Century Hymnal *Old 100th*
You may rise in body or in spirit.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done:
Creator, Christ and Spirit One.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GREET ONE ANOTHER

SHARING OF CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

THE PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 9:1-20 (p. 893)

THE MESSAGE A Long Time Ago in a Galaxy Far, Far Way...
Rev. Charley

COMMUNION HYMN (See back.) "Come to the Table"
You may rise in body or in spirit.

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

SERVING OF THE MEAL

"A Place at the Table" Paul A. Tate

Please eat and drink when all are served.

UNISON PRAYER OF COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

God of our broken places and true selves, we give thanks for this sacred feast. We begin again, hopeful and free. May this communion with you and each other be a deep reminder: all things and every moment are a gift. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Look Ye Saints! The Sight is Glorious"
arr. Larry Shackley

Today's service is being live streamed. Your likeness or comments may be shared.

Come to the Table

Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace. This is Christ's table, not just yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of peace. Come to the table of peace. This is Christ's table, not just yours or mine. Come to the table of peace.

Come to the table of love. Come to the table of love. This is Christ's table, not just yours or mine. Come to the table of love.

Come to the table of joy. Come to the table of joy. This is Christ's table, not just yours or mine. Come to the table of joy.