

**“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”
God is Still Speaking**

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF THE

Ascension



**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

An Open and Affirming Congregation

May 17, 2020

11:00 AM



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Order of Worship

PRELUDE

“This Holy Hour”

(Lewis)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

RECEIVING THE LIGHT

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION

John 14:15-21

CALL TO WORSHIP

please rise

Leader: Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of God’s praise to be heard.

People: **Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld God’s love from me.**

Leader: Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what God has done for me.

People: **Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld God’s love from me.**

Leader: In truth God has heard me, God has attended to the voice of my prayer.

People: **Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld God’s love from me.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness” *Glory to God 314*

CALL TO CONFESSION

those who desire to kneel, may do so at this time

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you love us, but we do not love you fully. You call, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We often condone evil, hatred, warfare and greed. God of grace help us to admit our sin, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you and receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

silent prayer of confession

KYRIE

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1 Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri -
 2 Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri -

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 ste e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF PRAISE

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” *Glory to God 591*

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN

“Bring Many Names” *Glory to God 760*

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading Acts 17:22-31
Second Reading 1 Peter 3:13-22
Leader: Holy Wisdom
People: Holy Word

THE SERMON

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have mailed in their offerings to the church. The ministry of Ascension Church continues, we need your support. Although we cannot gather in the building right now, we still have our expenses to pay and our outreach continues.

So, please continue to **mail** in your offerings, or you may also opt to contribute **online** through our new **PayPal** account that you can access on our website at ascensionucc.org and go to the Donate page. Please let us know if you encounter any issues accessing PayPal and know that we are grateful for your generosity.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

We come with assurance, O God, that you do not leave us alone. Your presence continues to guide us as we pursue the paths of discipleship. All that we have is a gift of your grace. As we offer gifts to you, accept them as signs of our commitment to Christ. May all that we do be in praise of your encompassing care. Amen.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” *Glory to God 366*

TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Celebration Tune” (Zander)

*Praise be to God, who has not rejected my
prayer or withheld his love from me!*
--Psalm 66:20





We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.

We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.

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| Ministers | All the people of the Congregation |
| Pastor | The Rev. Dwayne A. Mosier |
| Minister of Music | Dan Weckerly |
| President of the Consistory | Liz Brunton |
| Vice President of the Consistory | Michele Luke |
| Secretary of the Consistory | Molly Lorenz |
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Molly Lorenz, Barbara Montague-Graham |
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