

Homecrest Presbyterian Church

Worship of the Lord's Day
May 8th, 2016

7th Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day

***"Believe on the Lord Jesus, and
you will be saved, you and your
household." Acts 16:31***

A serene landscape featuring a calm river that perfectly reflects the surrounding greenery and a sky filled with soft, white clouds. The reflection is sharp and clear, creating a symmetrical scene. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

Gathering Around the WORD

Call To Worship

**Come, O Holy Spirit Come
Come, Almighty Spirit Come,
Come, Come, Come.**

Gathering Hymn

#1 “Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning

Our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Gathering Hymn

#1 “Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Holy, Holy, Holy!

***All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and Seraphim
falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and
evermore shalt be.***

Gathering Hymn

#1 “Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Holy, Holy, Holy!

**Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness**

**thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy;**

**there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity**

Gathering Hymn

#1 “Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty”

***Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth and sky and sea.***

***Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!***

Gathering Around the WORD

Call to Confession

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves and plead for God's mercy for the renewal and amendment of our live.



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Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the world. Amen.



Gathering Around the WORD

Declaration of Forgiveness

In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love and who died and rose, one with the Father and with us.

Thanks be to God, Amen.



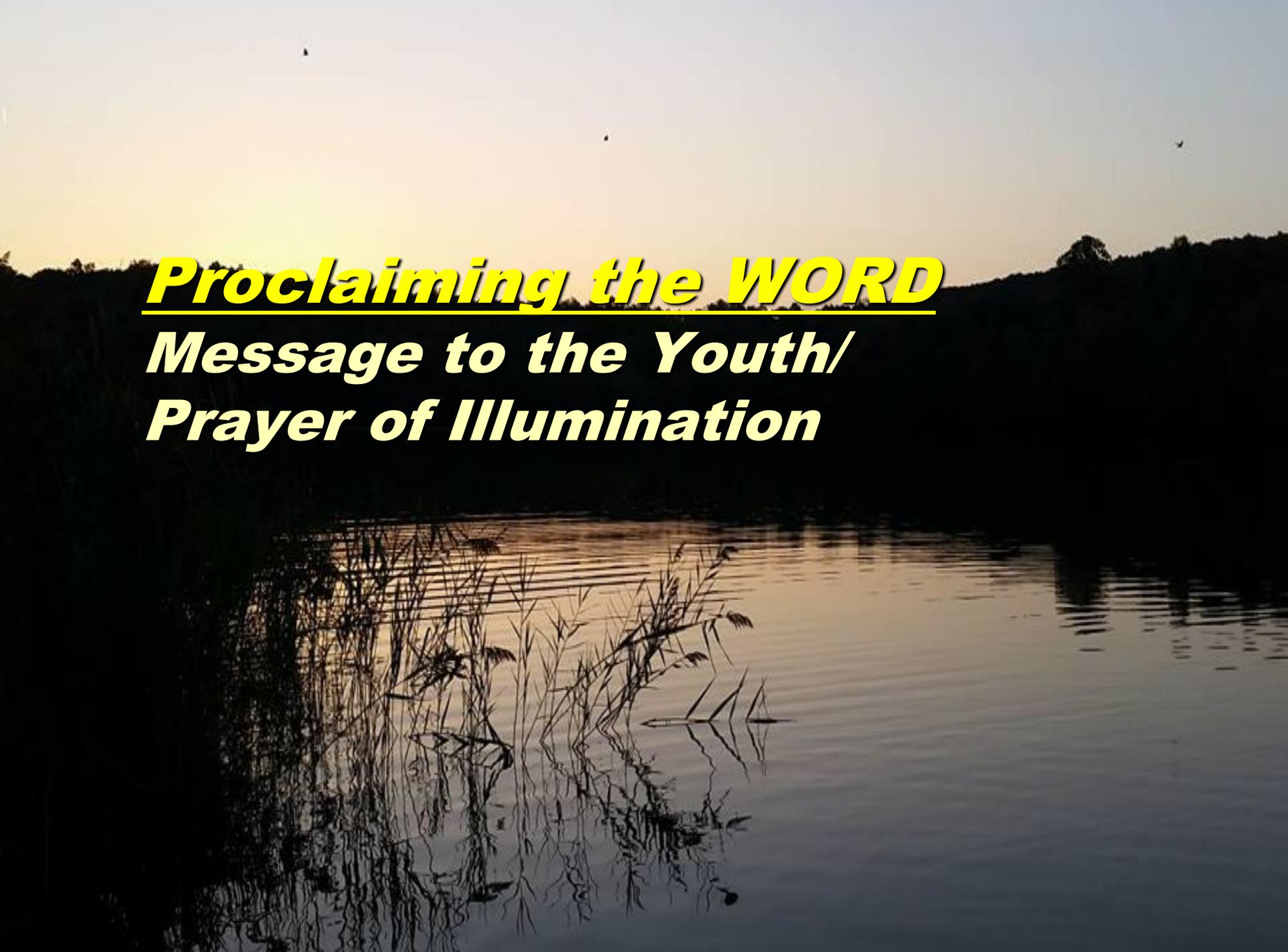
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Gloria Patri

***Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.***

Gathering Around the WORD
Passing of the Peace of Christ



A serene sunset over a body of water. The sky is a mix of soft orange, yellow, and light blue. The water is calm, reflecting the sky and the silhouettes of trees in the distance. In the foreground, there are reeds or tall grasses, their reflections clearly visible in the water. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

Proclaiming the WORD

***Message to the Youth/
Prayer of Illumination***

Proclaiming the WORD

Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

Proclaiming the WORD

Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. 20 When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews 21 and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." 22 The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.

Proclaiming the WORD

Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

23 After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. 24 Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

Proclaiming the WORD

Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. 27 When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.

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Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

28 But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." 29 The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.**"**

Proclaiming the WORD

Scripture Reading (Acts 16:16-34)

32 They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. 33 At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. 34 He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.



Proclaiming the WORD

You and Your Household will be Saved
(Acts 16:16-34)



Responding Hymn

300 "We are One in the Spirit"

*We are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
may one day be restored.*

*And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.*



Responding Hymn

300 "We are One in the Spirit"

**We will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land:**

**And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.**

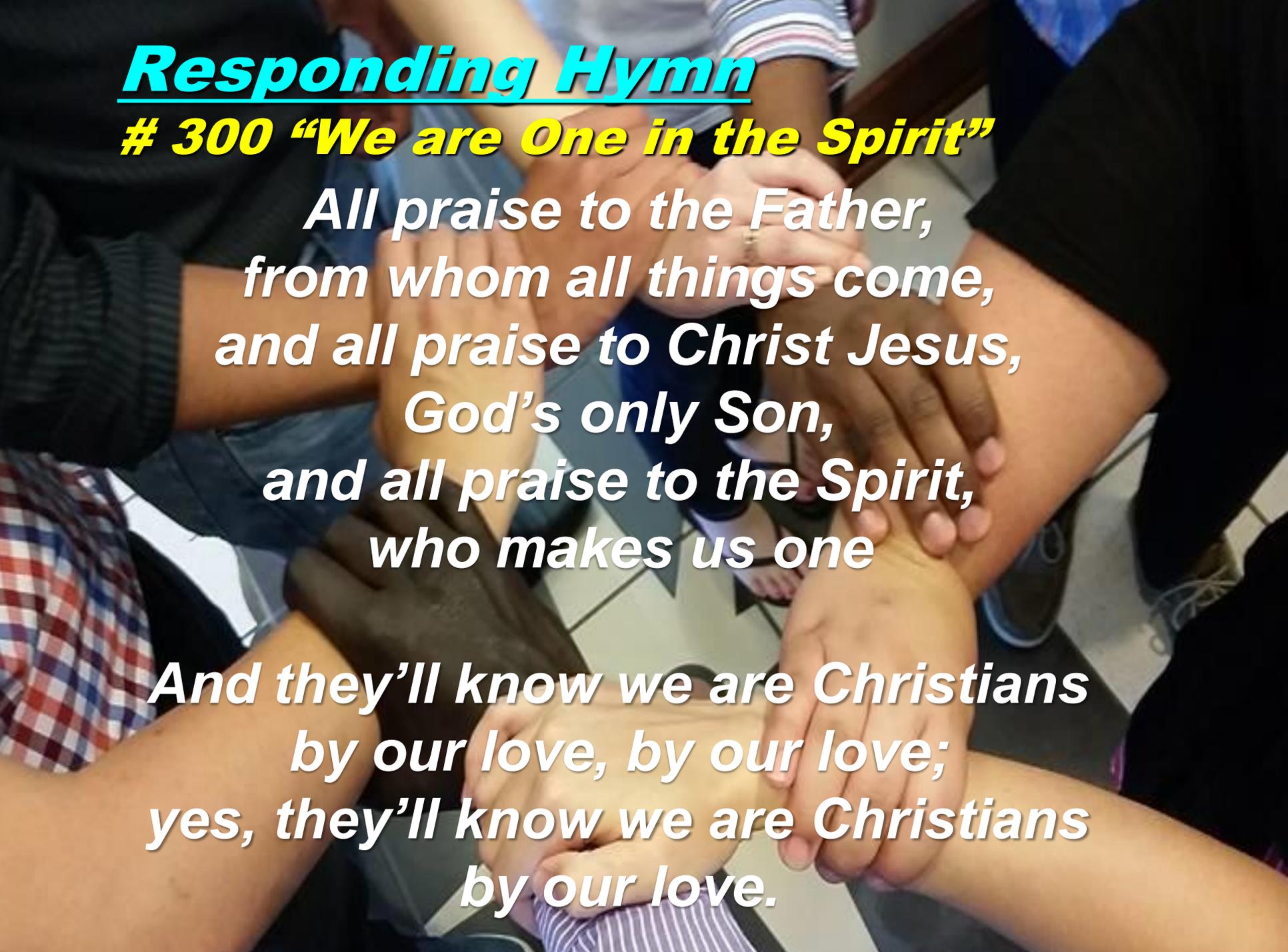


Responding Hymn

300 "We are One in the Spirit"

***We will work with each other;
we will work side by side;
we will work with each other;
we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity
and save human pride***

***And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.***



Responding Hymn

300 "We are One in the Spirit"

**All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one**

**And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.**

Responding to the WORD

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

- We will continue our regular afternoon **Bible Study** group, **downstairs in the basement**. We are on a seven-part series on the Book of **Isaiah**.
- **Next Sunday, 5/15 is Pentecost Sunday**, as we celebrate the “birthday” of the church. We will also be celebrating the Baptism of **Antonio Olav Scodes** and the Reaffirmation of Faith of **Kristina Scodes**. In the spirit of Pentecost, you are invited to wear the color **RED** for next Sunday.

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

- **The *Women's Group* will be meeting over at the Manse (2048 E 14th Street) every *Wednesday evening @ 7:30pm*. They are currently studying the book of *Esther*. They will also be meeting every other *Sunday morning* before service at 9:30am over at the Manse for prayers and fellowship. For more information, please see *Margaret Lesman* or *Cara Chin*.**
- **There will be a *FREE P/SAT Preparation Courses* for *Junior High and High School* students on *Wednesday-Friday, 5/25-27* from *4-7pm* over at the Manse. Please see flyer for more information.**

**Bearing and Following
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Announcements &
Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

- **Pastor Samson will be away on Study Leave and Vacation 5/16-30. Certified Ruling Elder David Michel and Rev. Jane Donnelly will be our guest speakers on 5/22 and 5/29, respectively.**



Mother's Day Liturgy

(by Rev. Tom Trinidad,

Former Vice-Moderator of Presbyterian Church (USA)

***Lord, on this day set aside
to honor and remember our
mothers and sisters, we give you
thanks. We are grateful that you
chose to give us life through
them, and that they received the
gift of life from your hands, and
gave it to us. Thank you for the
sacrifices they made in carrying
us and giving us birth.***





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We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our moms.





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***We pray for older moms whose children
are grown.***

***Grant them joy and satisfaction for a
job well done.***

***We pray for new moms experiencing
changes they could not predict.***

***Grant them rest and peace as they
trust you for the future.***

***We pray for pregnant women who will
soon be moms.***

***Grant them patience and good
counsel in the coming months.***





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We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

Grant them time to share with their families.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for step-moms.

Grant them patience and understanding and love.





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We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who have lost children.

Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.





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We pray for mothers who aborted their children.

Grant them healing and peace.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.

We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.





Mother's Day Liturgy

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*We pray for girls and women who think
about being moms.*

Grant them wisdom and discernment.

*We pray for women who desperately want,
or wanted, to be moms.*

***Grant them grace to accept your
timing and will.***





Mother's Day Liturgy

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***We pray for all women who have assumed
the mother's role in a child's life.***

***Grant them joy and the appreciation of
others.***

***We pray for those people present who are
grieving the loss of their mother in the past
year.***

***Grant them comfort and hope in
Christ's resurrection***





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Lord, we thank you for the gift of motherhood and sisterhood. We thank you for the many examples of faithful mothers and sisters in scripture, like Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Lois. Hear now the first names of other women who have inspired us by their motherly examples.





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We are mindful this day of all these women, and especially Mary the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, who had the courage in faith to say “yes” to your calling. May these women gathered here today emulate these examples of faith. And may they model for all the rest of us what it means to be your disciple.

Bless them on this special day; in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying “Our Father....”



Bearing and Following the WORD into the World

Mother's Day Liturgy & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven.

Halloweth be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

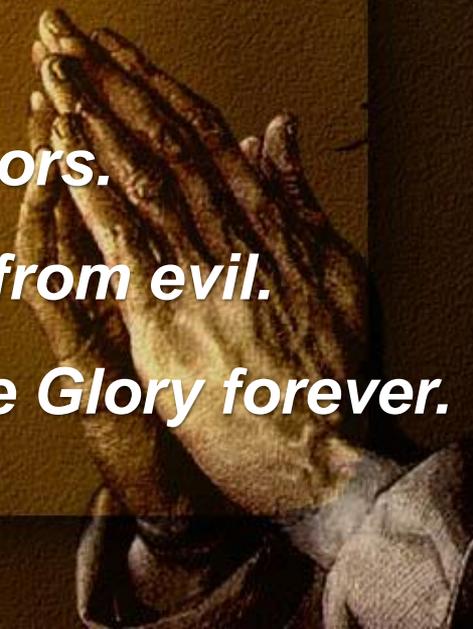
Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our debts; as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptations, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory forever.

Amen.



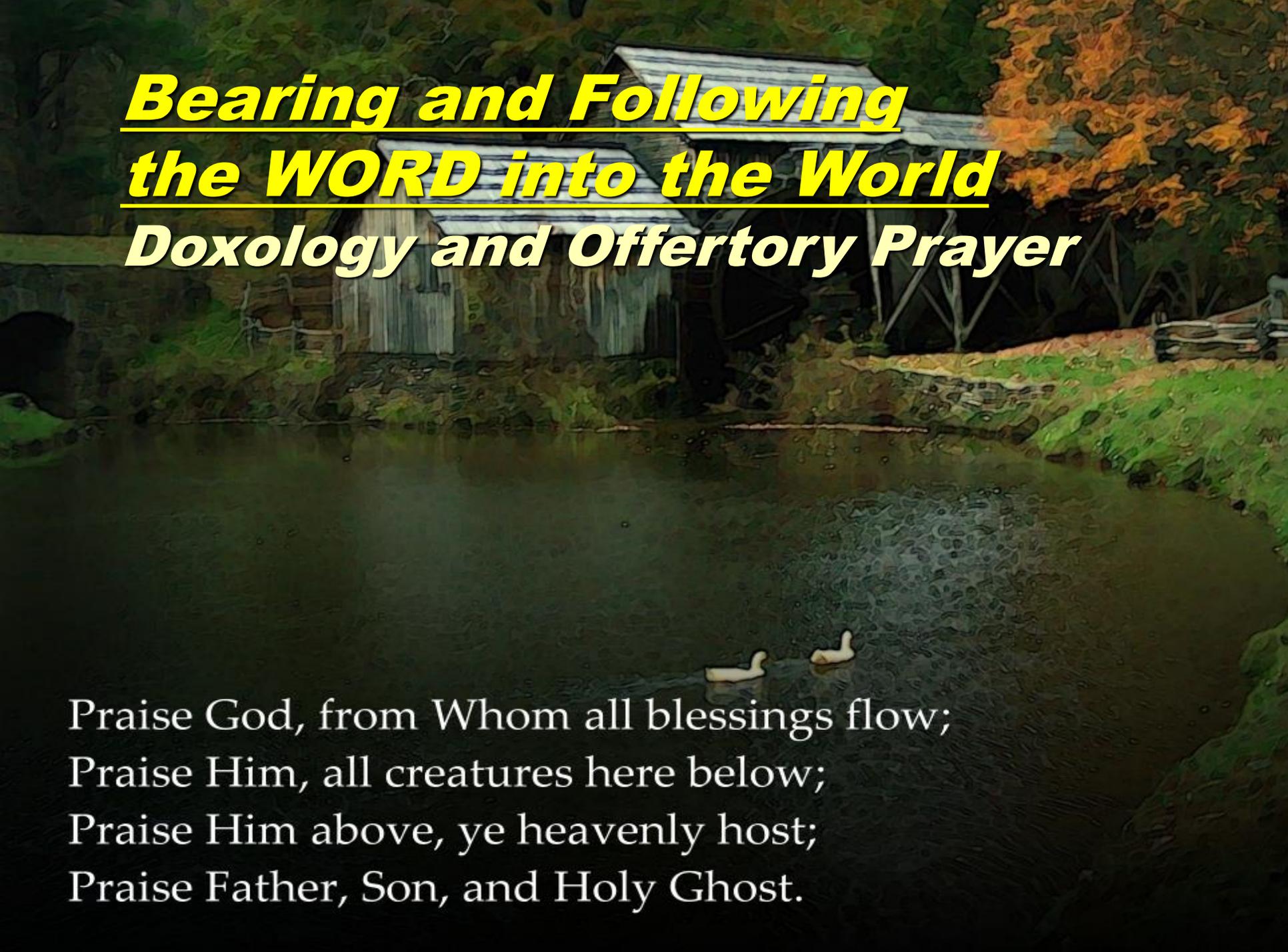
**Bearing and Following
the WORD into the World
Offering of our Gifts and our Lives**

Let's Honor The Lord With Our Giving

“Remember this, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly.
And whoever sows generously will also reap generously.”

2 Corinthians 9:6



A painting of a rural scene. In the background, there is a large, weathered barn with a corrugated metal roof. To the right, there are trees with autumn foliage in shades of orange and yellow. In the foreground, a dark, still pond reflects the scene. Two small, white ducks are swimming in the water. The overall style is impressionistic with visible brushstrokes.

Bearing and Following
the WORD into the World
Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Sending Hymn

#804 "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"

***Rejoice, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.***

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!***

Sending Hymn

#804 "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"

***With voice as full and strong
as ocean's surging praise,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old,
the psalms of ancient days.***

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!***

Sending Hymn

#804 "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"

***Yes, on through life's long path,
still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day,
in gladness and in woe:***

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!***

Sending Hymn

#804 "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"

***At last the march shall end;
the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest.***

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!***

Sending Hymn

#804 "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"

***Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.***

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!***

Bearing and Following
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The Charge and Benediction



Bearing and Following
the WORD into the World
Benediction Response

#547 “Go, My Children with My Blessing” (Stanza 2)

**Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.**

**Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.**

**Here you heard my dear Son’s story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.**

**Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.**

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