



FALLS CHURCH
PRESBYTERIAN

May 22, 2022
6th Sunday of Easter
8:30 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

To have Faith in Christ means, of course, trying to do all that He says. There would be no sense in saying you trusted a person if you would not take his advice. Thus if you have really handed yourself over to Him, it must follow that you are trying to obey Him. But trying in a new way, a less worried way. Not doing these things in order to be saved, but because He has begun to save you already. Not hoping to get to Heaven as a reward for your actions, but inevitably wanting to act in a certain way because a first faint gleam of Heaven is already inside you.”

– C.S. Lewis

Gathering Song #243 (sung twice)

Be Not Afraid

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1998
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BE NOT AFRAID
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Welcome

* Song #241

Woman, Weeping in the Garden

1 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, who has
2 Wom - an, wait - ing in the gar - den, af - ter
3 Wom - an, walk - ing in the gar - den, Je - sus
4 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, weep for
5 Wom - an, danc - ing from the gar - den, find the

pushed the stone a - side? Who has tak - en Je - sus'
men have come and gone, af - ter an - gels give their
takes you by sur - prise; when the gar - dener calls you,
joy, for you have seen Je - sus, the Mes - si - ah,
oth - ers and pro - claim Christ is ris - en as he

bod - y, Je - sus Christ the cru - ci - fied?
wit - ness, si - lent - ly you watch the dawn.
"Mar - y!" faith and joy meet in your eyes.
ris - en; Christ, of whom the proph - ets dream.
prom - ised; tell the world he knew your name!

TEXT: Daniel Charles Damon, 1991
MUSIC: V. Earle Copes, 1959
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KINGDOM
8.7.8.7

** Please stand in body or spirit*

Opening Prayer

Scripture

John 14:15-29

This passage is drawn from what is often called the “Farewell Discourse.” There is no “Last Supper” in John’s gospel but rather an extended section (chapters 14-17) where Jesus addresses his disciples about his impending departure.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.” ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?” ²³ Jesus answered him, “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Reflection

James Sledge



Duccio di Buoninsegna, 'Christ Taking Leave of His Disciples' panel from the Maesta Altarpiece (1308--1311)
 Museo dell'Opera Metropolitana del Duomo, Siena, Italy

Offering Gifts and Song #316

Where Charity and Love Prevail

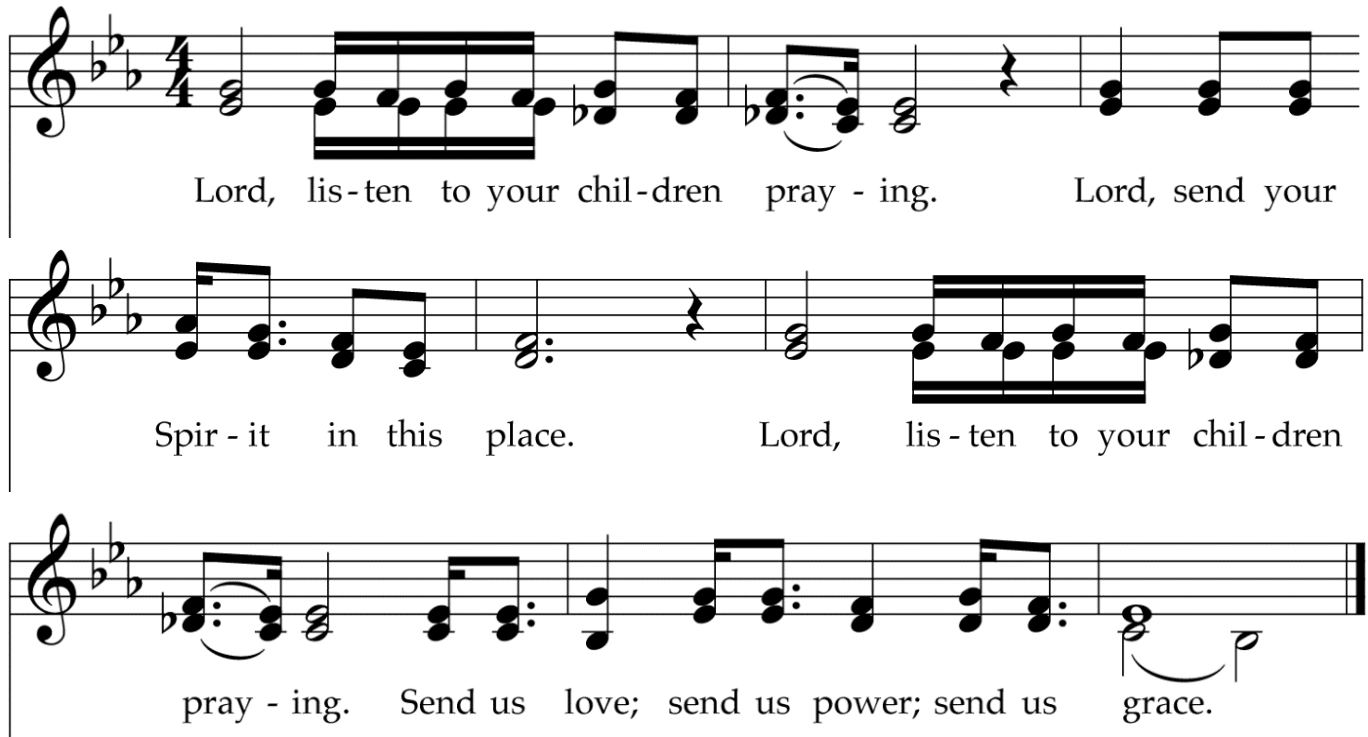
1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
 2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.
 3 Let strife a - mong us be un-known; let all con - ten-tions cease.
 4 Let us for-give each oth-er's faults as we our own con - fess,
 5 Love can ex-clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
 As mem-bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.
 our com - mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

Prayers of the People

Jay Campbell

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder currently serving on Session (governing council) or other members of the congregation. At the end of each petition we will sing:



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing. Lord, send your
Spir - it in this place. Lord, lis - ten to your chil - dren
pray - ing. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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CHILDREN PRAYING
Irregular

Prayer Concerns

Sabra Staley, in the hospital with an infection
Neill Ferill, brother of Allison Stiller, following surgery for a brain tumor
Mike Volpe, recovering after a fall
Ally Campbell, recovering from ACL surgery
The Valley family on the death of Matthew Valley
The Bisbee family on the death of Donna Bisbee on May 3
Ken Waugh, in rehab following a recent hospitalization
Sarah Barth, in treatment for cancer
The war in Ukraine and all those affected by it

Continued Prayers

Kris Barth, Allan Capon, Steve Graff, Mike Hugo, Elina Kent, Nora Long,
Ruth Mileham, Bob Moore, Sharane Patek, Cort Peret, Christa Young

Prayer requests can be sent to Pastor James at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org

Communion of the People

Invitation to the Table, Prayer of Thanksgiving, the Lord's Prayer

ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion is by intinction. Receive bread into your open hand, and dip it in the cup. Bread is gluten-free and cup is non-alcoholic. Prepacked communion packets are available for those who prefer them. Those joining us on livestream are invited to use whatever elements you have at home to join in the Lord's Supper.

Communion Song #520

Taste and See

Refrain F C B \flat F B \flat

All

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness
of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and
see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Fine

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TASTE AND SEE
Irregular

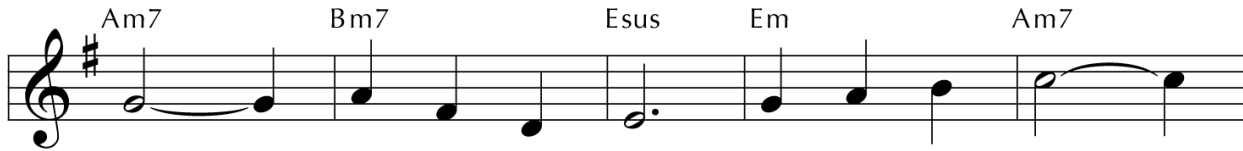
Post-Communion Prayer

* Song #314

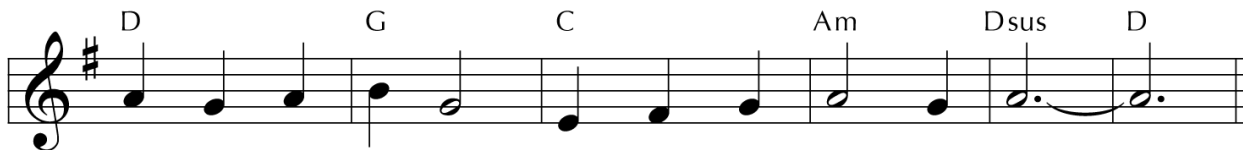
Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness



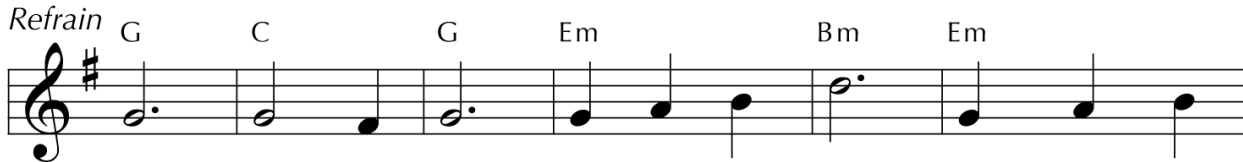
1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
 2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
 3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
 4 Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



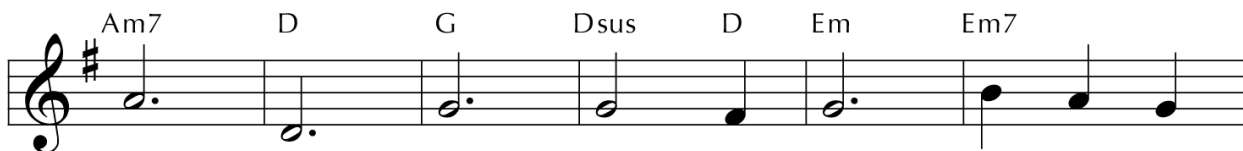
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



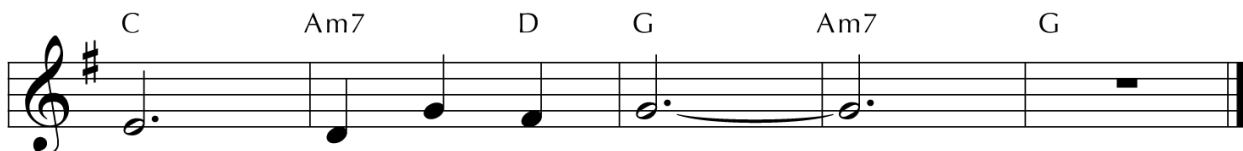
your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

The Peace

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you, everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

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Supporting us in Worship

Worship Leader	Jay Campbell
Music	David Schoonover, baritone; Lisa Bloy, piano
Audio/Video	Andrew Jonas, Diane Maloney
Worship Host	Clay Warner

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. If you would like to learn more about our community of faith, please visit www.fallschurchpresby.org.

Masks in Worship

Masks are strongly recommended but no longer required in worship. Please consider those who are immune compromised or unable to be vaccinated and continue to mask up.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Coloring sheets and crayons are available on the side table for our youngest disciples.

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, “working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.”

The Rev. James Sledge, Pastor

The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor

Diane Maloney, Director of Spiritual Growth and Community Engagement

David Schoonover, Acting Director of Music

Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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