

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Happy Mother's Day**

May 10, 2009

10:50 AM

**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

*Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.*

**WELCOME/MEDITATION**

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Please indicate any prayer concerns also to be given to the ushers during the offering.

**Prelude** *How Firm a Foundation* **Broughton**

**\*Call to Worship**

Come to worship God whose love was revealed in Jesus. Let all the ends of the earth turn to God.

**We will worship the Almighty and sing praises, we will proclaim good news to others.** Beloved, we are called to love as God loves us. We are to love on another as sisters and brothers.

**Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. We seek to let God's love be perfected in us.**

Remember that you have been baptized. God claims you and has high expectations of you.

**Christ is the vine; we are the branches. We will bear much fruit when we abide in the vine.**

**\*Processional Hymn** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* **Page 89**

**\*Invocation**

Open our senses to your direction amazing God, so we may be alert to opportunities you give us. Fill us with good news to share with those who seek meaning for their lives. We are here because we need the good news ourselves. There is much in life that we do not understand. We seek to know your Word and to be led by it. Help us remember the vows of our baptism, reconfirming in us the covenant promises that link us to you and to one another. As we meet you here, our hearts are filled up in praise. May our worship glorify your name and be pleasing to you.

**\*Hymn of Praise** *Happy the Home When God is There* **Page 445**  
**Mother's Day Recognition** **Glenda Adams**

**PROCLAMATION**

**New Testament Lesson** *1 John 4:7-21* **N. T. Page 240**

The deep heartbeat of life in the Risen Lord – Abide in love; abide in the Spirit given to all who confess Jesus as Son of God' abide in God and you will abide in love; love one another.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Message** **Pastor Nancy Robinson and Kip**  
**Children's Church** (Children age 4 through 1<sup>st</sup> grade may go to the Children's Church Room)

**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. 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. Amen.**

**\*Hymn** *I Need Thee Every Hour* **Page 397**

**\*Gospel Reading** *John 15:1-8* **N. T. Page 109**

Abide in Christ, the true vine, and you will bear much fruit, and even more as the Father prunes you. Bear no fruit, because you are not abiding in Christ, and you may expect to be cut off and cast away. The Father's will isn't to cast you away, but that you abide in Christ and bear much fruit.

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**Message** *Yearning for Community* **Rev. Nancy Robinson**

Lord, prune away the dead debris of our fears and failures so we may be productive branches in your church, reaching out to feed a world starving for genuine love and yearning for community.

**RESPONSE**

**Offertory Prayer** **Unison**

Let us pray: **We give, gracious God, because we are grateful. Your love has sustained us through many trials and temptations. We are thankful for those who have guided our attempts to understand the Scriptures. Your loving judgment has provided the pruning our lives require in order to bear fruit. We give in order to extend to others the blessing we have received and to continue the ministry we need as we seek to abide together in your love. Amen.**

**Offertory Anthem** *Bring Many Names* **Wren arr. Young**

**\*Doxology**  
*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.*

**\*Apostles Creed** **Page 881**

**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Reception of New Members** **Page 33**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*Hymn**

*When Love is Found*

**Page 643**

**\*Commission and Blessing**

Live for God every moment of every day. Take time to bow down in gratitude for God's love.

**We seek to live as people who know God. Because we are loved, we dare to love others.**

Do not be afraid to witness to your growing faith. Do not hesitate to show the fruits of abiding in Christ.

**We will turn to the perfect love that casts out fear. We will tell of that love to future generations.**

You have been equipped and empowered by love. God is filling your life with purpose and energy.

**We love because God first love us. We go out to serve as apostles of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*Benediction/Benediction Response**

**\*Postlude** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* **Carr/Unfreid**

**\*Please stand as you are able. Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. Please see an usher for assistance.**

**Welcome!** We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of my husband, Al Maupin, by Maxine and family. The **Acolytes** are Alexandra Smith-Scales and Emory Magner. The **Crucifer** is Jess Wade. The **Lay Reader** is Cody Dedmon. The **Lay Speaker** is Polly Rowan. The **Greeters** are PK & Shirley Walker. **First Response Team:** Mark and Debbie Gillis.

**During the worship** service this morning, we welcome Mike and Emma Crowe, into our church family by a certificate of transfer. Mike and Emma reside at 6001 Brilland Meadows Terrace, Glen Allen, VA 23060, 804-262-1352. Their shepherds are Bruce and Dorothy Lake.

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