

A Service for the Lord's Day February 7, 2021 ~ 10:00 am 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering Music

Parts of the service in **bold** are for everyone to speak in unison.

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Sheri Fry

Call to Worship Liturgist Garrett Tillery

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: How good it is to sing praises to

our God;

Leader: For God is gracious,

All: and a song of praise is fitting.
Leader: God heals the brokenhearted,
All: and binds up their wounds.

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;

All: make melody to our God!



Lighting of the Christ Candle (unison)

Garrett Tillery

We light this candle as a sign of God's Spirit at work in the world, may its light brighten our spirits, and may the light of God shining through us brighten the world.

Hymn 829

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

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Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Rev. Sheri Fry

Saving God, source of our calling, your Word is full of power and glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may receive your grace and live as your beloved children, through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Lesson for the Day Mark 1:29-39

Sermon She Rises and Serves Rev. Sheri Fry

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

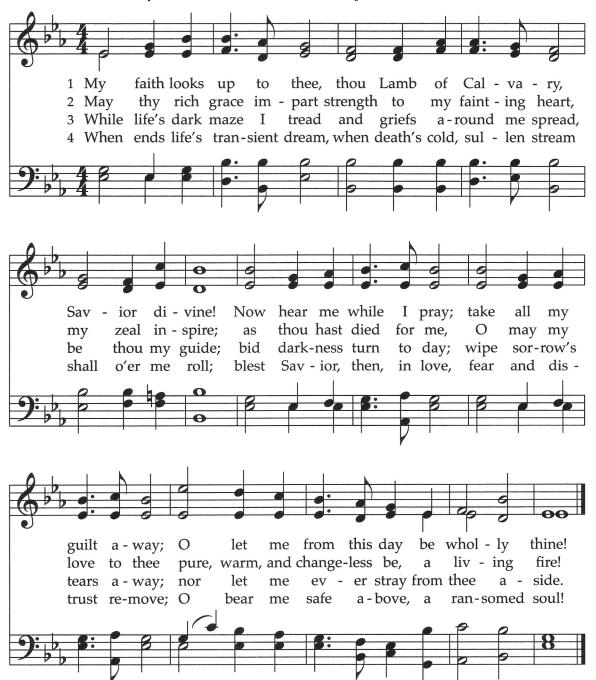
(Part 1 The Sarasota Statement)

Garrett Tillery

To the people we ignore, reject, or demonize for living outside the tribes we claim: We trust our Lord and Savior who calls disciples to love unconditionally, who confronts brutality by refusing to take arms, and who defies racism by forming a community out of every tribe, people, and nation. Jesus aligns with people who are poor, meek, persecuted and reviled, and calls the church to do the same. To be a Christian is to be continuously undone and remade by a Savior who encounters us in ways we might not expect, through a collection of people we might otherwise reject, screen or censor. We commit to move beyond like-minded choruses that reinforce our biases, joining community that reflects God's grace, Christ's kingdom, and the Spirit's action. Amen.

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My Faith Looks Up to Thee 829



Originally a poem of private reflection, this text was offered to the composer when he asked the author if he had written anything that could be set to music for a new hymn and tune collection. This was the first tune written for these words and has proved the most enduring.

by Michael Joncas, arr. Mark Hayes Sara Love Tyburczy and Dr. Jonathan Morris

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts

The Sacrament of the Lords' Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Great Thanksgiving

Rev. Sheri Fry

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Gracious God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You have been faithful to us through all generations and continue to speak to us today. We praise You for this table of love You spread in the world as a sign of Your love for all people. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name.

Eucharist Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn 753 Prayer of St. Francis (next page)

Charge and Benediction

Sung Benediction Christ Be Beside Us (page after next)

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Christ be Beside Us

