



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

*As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share
the love of God among ourselves and with others."*

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

5th Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2015

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

We use this time to make the transition between "getting here" and "being here".

Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God's Spirit dwells.

Prelude

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Adoration*

Bible, Fettke, & Monsell

* Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 80)

O God, your face shines upon us, and we grow strong.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out its enemies and planted it.

The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;

It sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the river.

Praise to God, giver of life!

* Hymn 505 *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing*

THE FEAST IS READY

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION (from a prayer by C. Eric Mount, Jr.)

Forgive us, good Lord,

for what we waited to do until it was too late,

for what we mistakenly did before we thought twice,

for what we were able to do because we ceased to see others as persons,

for what we were unable to do because we failed to see our own possibilities,

for what we pretended we could control when we should have stood in awe,

for what we feared, which we should have ignored or overcome.

Make us new so that we may begin anew; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Silent Prayer) Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* Sung Response

from Hymn 236

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

First Reading Isaiah 27:2-6

Anthem *Teach me, O Lord*

Thomas Attwood

Second Reading John 15:1-8

THE SERMON *It's the Network*

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

* HYMN 496 *Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed*

ARFON

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* Doxology 606 (alt)

* Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, you who have raised up Jesus from the dead, and who with the resurrection of Jesus have given us all things: help us, we pray, with all our gifts to yield ourselves to you, so that with all that we have, and all that we are, we may glorify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

* Hymn (insert) *We All Believe in One True God*

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, with Intercessions

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sharing the Bread and Cup (Please hold the elements until all are served.)

Prayer after Communion (from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And forget not all God's benefits.

God our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your holy child Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for the light you have poured into our hearts, and pledge ourselves in turn to pour that light into the world you so love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HYMN (insert) *God, Bless Your Church with Strength!*

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*** BENEDICTION**

**The benediction of the God of Sarah, Hagar and Abraham,
The benediction of the Son, who was born of Mary,
The benediction of the Holy Spirit of love,
Who watches over us like a mother for her children,
Descend upon us all. Amen.**

(We join with the members of our sister church in San Antonio de los Baños in Cuba in sharing this benediction on the first Sunday of each month.)

CHORAL RESPONSE *Cuban Benediction*

arr. Mark Orton

POSTLUDE

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 10 - MOTHER'S DAY

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3)

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)