



Central's mission:
Love God, love others, and serve the world

May 10, 2020
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Musical Gift

Hoby! Hoby! Hoby!

Prentiss

Call to Worship

Dorothy Ann Webster

God is in our midst, forming us to be God's own people.

Though the way may be difficult, God will be with us.

We need not fear.

In the Lord we will take our refuge, for God is our strength.

Come to the Lord who will surround you with God's own righteousness.

Lord, open our hearts and our spirits so that we may faithfully follow you. Amen.

(taken from Ministry matters.com)

Hymn #61 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Anon.

1. Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise!
Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!
2. Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend!
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend!
3. Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!
4. To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore.
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

**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.**

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Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer —

Mark Haines

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

Dorothy Ann Webster

Central Reflection

Trey Ayers

Children's Message

Debbie Looney

Praise —

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My Jesus, my savior, Lord there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.
**Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands, forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.**

Bible Reading — John 14:1-14

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—[Prayer]

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message — “Where Are You Going?”

Fred Webster

Hymn #702 “Sing with All the Saints in Glory”

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1. Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth’s dark story, to the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease;
in God’s likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.
2. O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits.
Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th’eternal gates.
3. Life eternal! Heaven rejoices: Jesus lives, who once was dead.
Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head!
Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven,
prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory given.
4. Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith; what joy unknown,
When, amidst earth’s closing thunders, saints shall stand before the throne!
O to enter that bright portal, see that glowing firmament;
Know, with thee, O God Immortal, “Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!”

Sending Forth

Fred Webster

Musical Gift

Lord of All Life

Broughton



High School Seniors 2020

Front row, left to right: Ashley Malone, Pearce Kross, Liv Hall, Alyson Burroughs, Meg Gregory, Anna Clair Lee, Lauren Cagle, Sydney Stone, Tegwen Buckner, Ashleigh Burroughs, Sarah Alice Limbaugh (not pictured)

Back row, left to right: Eli Burnes, Connor Ivy, Matthew Leonard, Seth Ivy, Adam Burroughs, Harrison Marks, Andrew Rawson, Conner Dickman, Cole Cagle

Bible Reading for May 17

John 14:15-21 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This 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. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They 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."

Discussion Questions

• *How do you show someone that you love them?* • *Jesus said that we should keep his commandments.* • *What commandments come to mind when you hear that?* • *What does Jesus promise us if we keep his commandments?*

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