

# Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2019

*\*indicates please stand as you are able*

## Happy Mother's Day

### GATHERING

*Prelude*                      "Jubilatte"    The Chime Ringers

#### *Welcome & Announcements*

*\*Centering Song*    "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"    #469

*\*Call to Worship* (Psalm 5:11-12)

As a child takes refuge in its mother, let all who take refuge in God,  
rejoice.

**Let us all sing for joy.**

As a mother protects her child, we ask you, O God, to spread your  
protection over us,

**so that we, who love your name, may exult in you, O God.**

You, O God, bless the righteous and cover us with favors,

**You, O God, cover us like a shield in the battles of life.**

As a mother unites the family in love,

**We ask that you unite us, the church family, in love and service.**

*\*Opening Hymn*    "Together We Serve"    #767

#### *Prayer of Confession*

**I come before you now, O Gracious God, begging and pleading for  
forgiveness. Give me a heart at this moment that is truly cracked**

open to hear your message of redemption and forgiveness. Where else can I learn about the depth of your love than right now, on my knees, imploring that you wash me clean? Let me bear witness to how much you love your children, how much you love me. Let me bear witness that you truly release me from all sin. Listen as I silently confess my sins...

*Assurance of Pardon & Hope*

Be assured, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*\*Sung Response* “Rain Down” (refrain only) #48

*\*Passing of the Peace* The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

THE WORD

*Children’s Message*

*Scripture* Exodus 2:1-10 “Birth of Moses”  
Genesis 16:1-16 “Birth of Ishmael”

*Sermon:* “What a Mother Won’t Do” Rev. Robert Drake

WE RESPOND

*Offering* (place prayer slips in plate to be read during prayer)

*Offertory* “Love Is Love Is Love Is Love” Betinis

(This song is dedicated to the victims and survivors of hate crimes everywhere. Love is often the bravest thing we do.)

*\*Doxology*            “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”            #606  
*\*Prayer of Dedication*

INSTALLATION of JIM GALE as DEACON

SENDING OUT

*Prayers of the People*

*\*Closing Hymn*    “Come! Live in the Light!”            #749

*\*Benediction*

*\*Closing Sung Response*    “You Shall Go Out with Joy” (refrain only)    #80

*Postlude*