

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2020 *11am Worship*
~ WELCOME ~
Kindly silence your devices during worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

PRELUDE FOR PREPARATION Dustin Lin

CALL TO PRAISE Pauline Michael Mills
"Thou Art Worthy"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** adapted from E. Ann Bell

L: Lord, You know our hearts, our inmost thoughts and desires. You see where our attention is focused as well as where our thoughts dwell..

P: You see our kindness and our blindness, our fears and motivations, even secrets that are hidden from ourselves. To You, all is revealed.

L: In this shared time of worship, "break down every idol, cast our every foe."

Search us, confront us, stir our consciences and transform us

P: Awaken us to the challenges of this day. Open our eyes to the subtle pervasiveness of greed and selfishness, that we might see our culture, the church, and ourselves in Your divine light. Incline our ears to your call.

L: Remind us that You are the source of our hope and the giver of all that is good.

You alone are worthy of our praise.

P: Bring us to new life, that we might truly be Your people.

All: Amen.

***HYMN** **INSERT**
"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" **MIT FREUDEN ZART**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 20:1-6

L: Hear the words of scripture. **R: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN **INSERT**
"Holy Spirit, Light Divine" **MERCY**

PASTORAL PRAYER
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 17:22-31

L: Hear the words of scripture. **R: Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION Mark Blankenship
"Worthy of Worship"

SERMON "The Unknown God"

CONTEMPLATION Dustin Lin

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** **INSERT**
"Cast Down, O God, The Idols" **PASSION CHORALE**

***GOING FORTH**
L: O God, You are worthy of our praise, our worship and our service.

P: There will always be questions we don't have answers for and things we don't understand.

L: Yet, You call us to follow You, to serve You, to worship You, bringing along our hesitations and our limited understanding.

P: You remain with us, even when we don't recognize your presence, caring for us in ways beyond our imagination.

L: Forgive us when our eyes do not comprehend you; our minds are too filled with other things to think Your thoughts; our lives are too busy to notice You or those we should serve.

P: Give us gladness to accept Your forgiveness and joy with which to face the future.

ALL: Amen.

POSTLUDE Dustin Lin

Postlude, to be enjoyed as you depart, extending the Grace of Christ to one another.

*Please Stand As You Are Able Bolded items – congregational participation requested

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