

Celebration of Worship

We Gather as God's People

We welcome you on this fifth Sunday of Lent, April 7th, 2019.

Prelude

Greetings, Welcome Visitors, and Announcements

(Please sign and pass the red folder in your row.)

✠ Congregation Introit

My Tribute

no. 99

✠ Call to Worship

L: Break open our hearts this morning to hear Your word, O God.

P: **Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!**

L: Come let us worship with great joy!

P: **Let us drop the things of the past which weighed us down!**

L: God is about to do something new in our lives!

P: **Let God's Will become strong in our hearts. AMEN.**

We Give Ourselves to God

✠ Praise Hymn

Are Ye Able

no. 530

We Pray Together (Unison):

We come into Your presence, O Lord, with so many burdens and concerns on our hearts. Help us be open to Your words of healing and restoration. Bring us closer to You. Enable us to discern Your will for us that we may serve You more faithfully by serving others in need. In Christ's name, we pray. AMEN.

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Witness: *We share our joys, connections, and concerns with Christ.*

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 43: 18,19 (OT p. 638)



We Hear God's Word

Anthem

A Green Hill Far Away

Besig

Message:

"Nothing Changes If Nothing Changes"

Sermon Text:

Isaiah 43: 16-21 (OT p. 638)

We Respond with Our Lives

Hymn of Invitation

Freely, Freely

no. 389

Communion

Musical Setting A

p. 17

Let Us Break Bread Together

no. 618

✠ Benediction

✠ Pass the Peace