# DONEGAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" arr. L. Shackley
"A Lovely Mood" Catherine Rollin

"As the prelude begins, please observe a time of quietness in preparation for worship."

# Gathering in God's Name

#### WELCOME

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

# PREPARING OUR HEARTS IN GRATEFUL SILENCE

# CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 1:1-3

Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff.

Happy are those who delight in God's teachings and meditate on them day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water.

They yield fruit in due season, and their leaves do not wither.

#### "All Things Bright and Beautiful" \*HYMN #20 R All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all. 1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors; God made their tiny wings. R 2. The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky: R 3. The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them every one. R 4. God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. R \*HYMNS "Praise God for This Holy Ground" #405

- 1 Praise God for this holy ground,
  place and people, sight and sound. R
- R Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God's goodness is eternal.
- 2 Praise God in whose word we find food for body, soul, and mind.R

- 3 Praise God who through Christ makes known all are loved and called God's own. R
- 4 Praise God's Spirit who befriends, raises, humbles, breaks, and mends. R
- 5 Though praise ends, praise is begun where God's will is gladly done. R

# QUESTIONS OF EXAMEN

#### DECLARATION OF PARDON

# **Proclaiming God's Word**

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### **SCRIPTURE**

John 17:6-19 NRSV

6"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

This is the Gospel of our Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 NRSV

<sup>1</sup>Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

<sup>2</sup>but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees

planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup>for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous

<sup>6</sup>for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# REFLECTION ON THE WORD

#### **Eucharist**

PRAYERS OF FAITHFULNESS & THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

The one who taught us to pray by saying:

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

from Psalm 103:1-2

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.

#### STATEMENT & PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP

# Sending in God's Name

\*HYMN "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers" #231

- 1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers; Christ has risen where hope died, as he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied.

  Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer; let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!
- Christ has risen for the people whom he died to love and save;
   Christ has risen for the women bringing flowers to grace his grave.
   Christ has risen for disciples huddled in an upstairs room.
   He whose word inspired creation can't be silenced by the tomb.
- 3 Christ has risen and forever lives to challenge and to change all whose lives are messed and mangled, all who find religion strange. Christ is risen, Christ is present making us what he has been: evidence of transformation in which God is known and seen.

# \*BLESSING & EXTENSION OF PEACE

POSTLUDE "Christ Be in My Waking" Townend/Brading

#### Reflection for the Christian Life

In the first chapter of Acts, when the eleven seek to replace Judas with a new apostle, they ask God to reveal who that should be by casting lots. How do you think God's will is revealed to us today? Is it revealed in more than one way?

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TODAY** Sunday, May 12th, 7th Sunday of Easter, 9:00 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary, 11:15 a.m. Celtic Sabbath in Fellowship Hall. Regular Sunday School Schedule.
- Monday, May 13th, Boy Scout Troop 53
- Tuesday, May 14th, Cub Scout Pack 150
- Wednesday, May 15th, Men's Breakfast at Gus's Keystone Restaurant 7:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, May 15th, Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 16th, Session, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 18th, Donegal Community Garden Planting
- Sunday, May 19th, Pentecost Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary, 11:15 a.m. Celtic Sabbath in Fellowship Hall. Regular Sunday School Schedule.



<sup>\*</sup>All those who are able may stand.