

MESSAGE: *“Breaking the Cultural Barriers”* Krikor Youmshajekian

HYMN: 457 *“The Church’s One Foundation”*

NOTICES - Election Day Stall - Saturday 21 May 8:00 am to noon, in the War Memorial Hall. Cakes/slices/jams/books and assistance!

- **Movie/Pizza Night** - Tues 7 June 6:30 am. Movie - *“Breathe”*.

OFFERING - *“Forget not all His benefits”*. (Psalm 103.2)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Almighty God, who has given us many good gifts as our Heavenly Father, we now offer these pledges to You. We pray that You accept them, bless them and use them for the spread of Your Kingdom and glory. Guide us, that we might continually accept our responsibility to You, to Your church, and to others, in Christ’s name. *Amen!*

HYMN: 531 *“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”*

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of the nations, whose kingdom rules over all, have mercy on our broken and divided world. Shed abroad Your peace in the hearts of all people and banish from them the spirit that makes for war; that all races and people may learn to live as members of one family and in obedience to Your laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and forever. Amen!

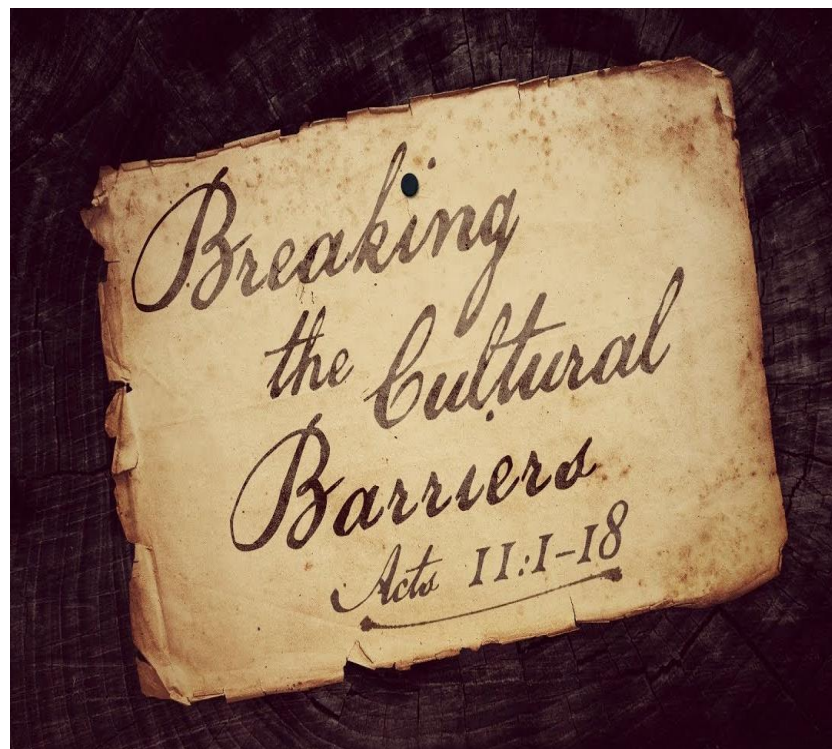
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ORDER OF SERVICE

EASTER 5

15 May 2022

CALL TO WORSHIP

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face shine upon us, that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. May the peoples praise You, O God; may all the peoples praise You. May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth. May the peoples praise You, O God; may all the peoples praise You. Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us. God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth will fear Him. *Psalm 67*

HYMN: 111 *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”*

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, we thank You for the splendour with which You have filled all creation; for the extent of the universe, which defies our understanding; and for the beauty of our world, which is greater than our words to describe it. We praise You for the place you’ve given us in Your creation. We give You thanks for all You have done for us. *Amen!*

RESPONSIVE READING *Psalm 148* **Page 623**

SONG – GREAT IS THE LORD

INVITATION TO REPENTANCE

Lord Jesus Christ, when our words and actions reflect a reluctance to confess You publicly as Lord of our lives: *Forgive us.*

When we fear that humbling ourselves would be seen by others as weakness, or defect in our character: *Forgive us.*

When we have betrayed Your love for us through our lack of love for You, for others, and for ourselves: *Forgive us.*

When we find ourselves disregarding the events of Your passion and death because we looked to Easter as a time of holidays: *Forgive us.*

Silence

Lord Jesus Christ, fix Your mind in us:

remake us in Your likeness;

emply us of all that hinders us from following You

to where pain and suffering, exploitation and injustice exist.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Who, being in the very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess, that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Through His obedience we are freed from whatever sin enslaves us.

Thanks be to God.

THANKSGIVING

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord our God.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks. It is our joy and our peace, at all times and in all places, to give thanks to You, holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, through Christ our Lord.

We bless You for Your continual love and care for every creature. We praise You for forming us in Your image and calling us to be Your people. We thank You that You did not abandon us in our rebellion against Your love but sent prophets and teachers to lead us into the way of salvation. Above all we thank You for sending Jesus Your son to deliver us from the way of sin and death by the obedience of His life, by His suffering upon the cross, and by His resurrection from the dead. We praise You that He now reigns with You in glory and ever lives to pray for us. We thank You for the Holy Spirit, who leads us into truth, defends us in adversity, and out of every people unites us into one holy church. Therefore, with the whole company of saints in heaven and on earth we worship and glorify You, God most holy, and we sing with joy.

HYMN: 636 *“God Has Spoken to His People”*

BIBLE READINGS – *The Service of the Word*

Roslyn McCawley

Acts 11:1-18 (*Pages 1089-1090*)

John 13:31-35 (*Page 1067*)

For the Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God.*

MUSICAL REFLECTION