

SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ **Organ Prelude** · Mary Mackie

My Song Is Love Unknown ... Dale Wood

Call to Worship (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Based on John 1

Leader: The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

People: He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.

Leader: And the Word became flesh and lived among us,

People: and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Leader: We come into worship offering Christ our praise.

People: We rejoice with God who is with us always.

* ♪ **Hymn of Praise** · Here in This Place

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Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of the Beloved, Jesus came for us. He came to give those who could not see a new sight, but we continue to long to live in the shadows. He came to clear the ears of those who had no hearing, but we still listen to the lies offered to us. He came that we might serve those around us, but we want the attention, the seats of prestige. We pray that, as you forgive us, Loving God, we would discover that we are now your beloved. Not because we are powerful, but we are willing to accept our weakness; not because we are wealthy, but we dare to share when others hoard; not because we want glory, but because we are willing to offer the cup of grace to those who thirst around us, even as it has been offered to us by Jesus, our Brother, our Savior.

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Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*  **Gloria Patri**

No. 579

* **Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading · Gigi MacLeod

Isaiah 53:1-12 (pg. 1145)

 **Anthem** · Chancel Choir

Make Us One, Father... Paul Johnson

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Sharon Dinwiddie, accompanist

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-14 (pg. 1645)

Ministry of the Word · The Rev. Renée Marie Rico

“Reading the Bible Through the Lens of Jesus”

3rd in the series *Reading the Bible in Healthier Ways*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

- * **♪ Hymn of Response** · Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet
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Offering

Call for Offering

♪ Offertory

O God, Almighty Father ... Robert Powell

- * **♪ Doxology**

No. 592

- * **Prayer of Dedication**

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

- * **♪ Closing Hymn** · Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
No. 104

- * **Benediction**

- * **♪ Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace
(inside cover of hymnal)

♪ Organ Postlude · Mary Mackie

Tocatta ... Gilbert Martin