

# SETAUKET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 25, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## GATHERING MUSIC

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

We are one flock,

**we are called to be one in community.**

We have boldness before God

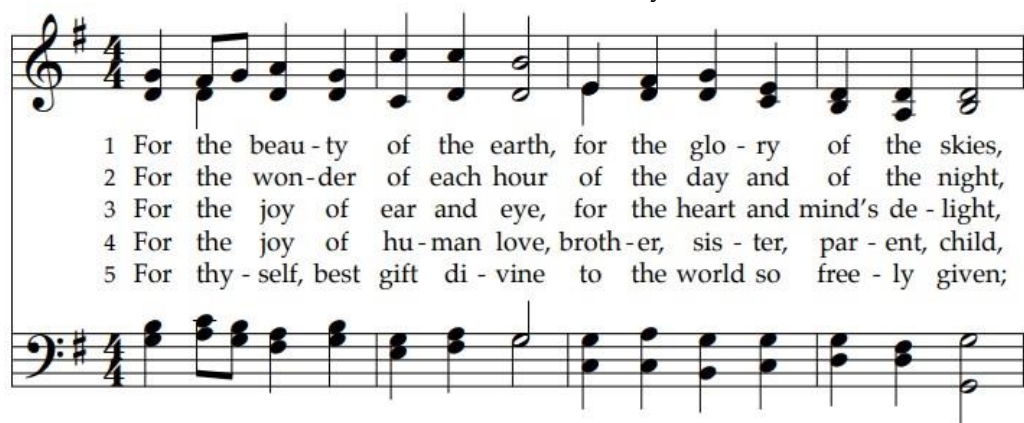
**because we know we are loved and known**

and so, in the same, way let us love each other,

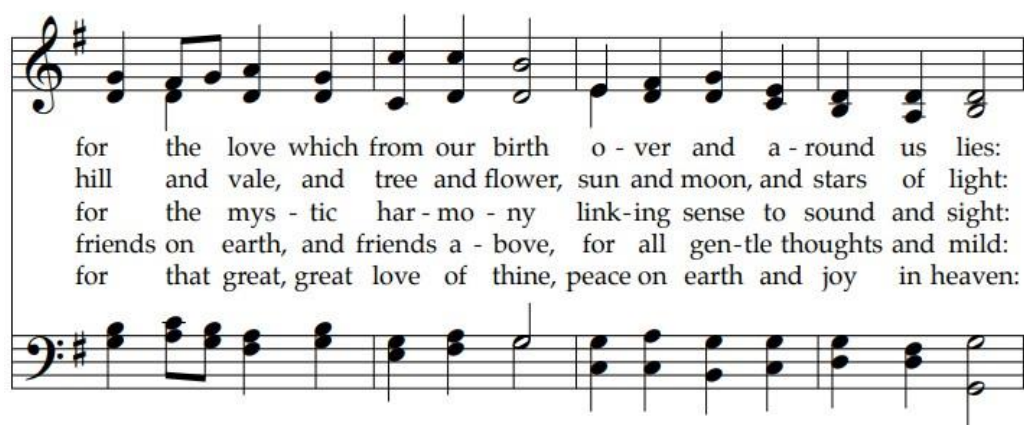
**not only in word or speech**

but in truth and action—let us join together as one flock to worship the one God.

## HYMN FOR MEDITATION no. 14 For the Beauty of the Earth

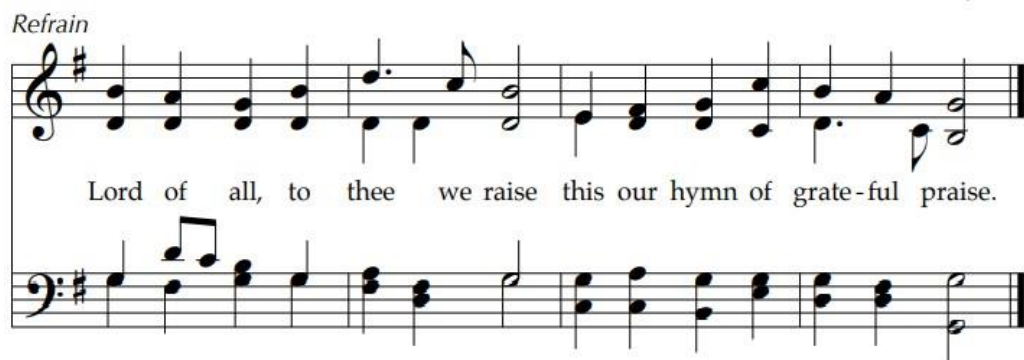


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

*Refrain*



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

## LITANY FOR CREATION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Praise to you, O God, source of all waters. For vast oceans, flowing rivers, and gentle rains we give you thanks.

**Forgive our careless waste and polluting ways.**

Help us to cleanse, conserve, and share; teach us to care for the gift of water.

**Come and heal your people. Come and heal the waters.**

Praise to you, O God, creator of the dry land. For mighty mountains, rolling hills, and fertile prairies we give you thanks.

**Forgive our wanton greed and violent ways.**

Help us to sow, till, and harvest with care; teach us to live gently on the land.

**Come and heal your people. Come and heal the land.**

Praise to you, O God, breath of life and maker of air. For wind and wave, breath and breeze, light and life we give you thanks.

**Forgive our heedless acts and selfish ways.**

Help us to live justly, simply, and wisely; teach us to care for the gift of air.

**Come and heal your people. Come and heal the air.**

Praise to you, O God, Lord and Giver of Life. Your love sustains planet earth and by your hand all things living are fed.

**Forgive our neglect and abuse of your gifts.**

Help us to serve, defend, defend and restore your creation.

**Help us care for your people. Help us care for the earth.**

**Creator of the earth and all living things, maker of the sky and the air and the breath of life, God of all that is: we are your servant people, created out of the clay of the earth itself. We forget that we are your creatures and we play at being gods. We neglect the work of stewardship that you have provided for our occupation and our joy.**

*(time for silent personal confession)* Amen.

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Scripture assures us, The Lord is our Shepherd, we shall not want (Psalm 23).

“Whenever our hearts condemn us...God is greater than our hearts, and...knows everything” (1 John 3:20).

As a shepherd cares for scattered sheep, our God cares, forgives, and calls us into community.

Members of the one flock—we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen!**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 23

1 John 3: 16-24

## REFLECTION

### HYMN FOR MEDITATION no. 543 God be the Love to Search and Keep Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to  
2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -  
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,  
4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to  
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:  
es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:  
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:  
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:  
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

## MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP Earth Care

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.*

## SENDING MUSIC

*You may leave an offering as you depart.*

*Liturgy adapted from United Church of Canada and National Council of Churches.*

*We thank Harris Becker and Laura Lessard for leading our music this morning.*

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## WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP:

Setauket Presbyterian church is a living community of faith, active in worship and service of Jesus Christ. Founded in 1660, our mission is to meet the spiritual needs of our members and friends, be meaningfully involved in supporting our surrounding communities, and bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in the world. All are welcome here! If you are looking for a church home, would like to be on our mailing list, or have any questions about our tradition or faith community, please call the church office (631-941-4271) or speak with one of the pastors. We hope that you feel the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit in this place!





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