

The Hope №10, by Natalia Baykalova

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 2, 2021

Today's service will be livestreamed to Facebook (<u>facebook.com/centraldenver</u>) and our website (<u>centraldenver.com/livestream</u>)

All are welcome to share Communion; please bring bread and something to drink as you tune in.

PRELUDE

Thank You, Lord Spiritual

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE & WELCOME

Louise Westfall

Please feel free to post comments, greetings, and prayer requests in the "Facebook comment" section throughout the service.

GATHERING MUSIC

God be the love to search and keep me; God be the prayer to move my voice; God, be the strength to now uphold me; O Christ, surround me. O Christ, surround me (2x)

CALL TO WORSHIP Kristin George

HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; We will work with each other, we will work side by side; And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come; And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son. And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Mooney

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!

SCRIPTURE READING

I John 4:7-21

SERMON

Love in Translation Louise Westfall

SILENT REFLECTION

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Join us after the service for our Zoom fellowship time. All are welcome! Zoom link to join https://rb.gy/encvhz

Adult Faith Formation: Caring for Creation - *The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings*

Sundays, April 18-June 6, 11:30am

Join us as staff and church members lead us in an eight-week journey of reimagining new beginnings using John Phillip Newell's book The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings. Zoom link to join https://rb.gy/encyhz

For more ways to worship and connect this week, check our website: centraldenver.com/stayconnected

OFFERTORYKatheryne Baker, soloist

OFFERING

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To give online, go to https://onrealm.org/centraldenver/-/give/CPC

Pentecost Offering, May 23

On May 23 we will receive our Pentecost offering for which the Mission Committee has set a goal of \$1700 designated to ministries for children, youth, and young adults with 40% of the offering staying locally. The remainder is sent to PCUSA to help with programs for children at risk, the Young Adult Volunteers program and the Triennium program for high school students. Thank you for your generosity!

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Tim Mooney

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

CHARGE AND BLESSING

PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you. And also with you.

[Share signs of peace with those around you or by adding a greeting in the Facebook comments.]

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

Wil Smith