

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 a.m.

May 16, 2021

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

Introit

"10000 Reason (Bless the Lord)"

By Matt Redman

Refrain:

Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1:

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2:

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3:

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Ending:

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name
"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

*HYMN

"Awesome God"

TFWS #2040

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: To worship and pray,

All: we have come this day.

One: To meditate on God's teachings,

All: we have come this day.

One: Gathered as one family of Christ,

All: we come together in love.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Holy Spirit, be with us in our worship this day. Draw us ever closer to you, that we may become one. Draw us ever closer to your word, that we may be wise. Draw us every closer to your world, that we may serve and love as you guide us to do. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

"Children's Message"

*Hymn

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

TFWS #2088

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1:1-11

PSALM READING

Psalm 1

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:44-53

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Post-Traumatic Growth"

Jennifer Esposito

*Hymn

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

(From UMH page 7)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We delight in your law, O God, but we don't always follow the rules. Shower us with your mercy, that we may know your forgiveness and your grace. Guide our steps, that we may follow you more closely. Draw us ever closer to you and to one another, that we might support one another as we follow where you lead us in our efforts to create a world of unity and boundless love. In your mercy and grace, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God watches over us with mercy and grace. Christ's forgiveness flows freely, redeeming us and making us whole.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

