

**May 10, 2020 Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:45 AM**

**PRELUDE** *I Worship You O Mighty God* John Douglas  
By Sondra Corbett-Wood  
**Welcome by Pastor Mike Holland**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Susan & Bill Richardson

One: In spring's repeat performance of birth and new life,  
we pause to regard Mothers Day.

**Many: From water and womb, in the evolution of life,  
we came into the world inhaling our first breath**

One: We are children of the cosmos, stardust through  
and through, yet we celebrate a feminine life-force  
that runs pervasively through all things.

**Many: Whether with us or departed, whether close or  
estranged, we pause to remember our mothers  
and honor all women with equality and justice.**

One: We remember their gifts to us, the pain they  
endure, the sustenance they give. We respect their  
sacrifices, struggles, accomplishments and love.

**Many: Moms, mama, mommy, madre, mumsy, mother,  
we bless the special women of our families.**

One: Let us pray in the living Spirit of Sophia Christ:

**OPENING PRAYER** led by Miguel Magaña, Elder

**With mystics and saints of history, we give thanks,  
Creator Goddess, that You evolved humanity so that  
our species could reproduce, nurture and love. May  
we who conceive children support them and their  
mothers and caregivers in every way possible, and  
hope that they will love us in return. Empower us all.  
Amen**

**OPENING SONG** *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

**CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Robbie Arevalos**

Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
May the Spirit's power fill you,  
May our tender comfort still you.  
Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.

**COMMUNION SONG** *One Piece of Bread*

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION** led by Pastor Mike  
(have bread/cracker and juice ready to participate online)  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

***O God, our mother, Spirit of All Life,  
You meet us at this table and move among this bread and cup;  
make us mindful of our oneness with You  
and with all creation, Amen.***

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Claire de lune* John Douglas  
By Debussy

(Special request from Stephanie Brown dedicated to all  
mothers, past, present & future)

**MORNING PRAYERS with Pastor Kel Henderson**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer (Unison), translation by Parker Palmer**  
**Heavenly Father, Heavenly Mother, Holy and  
blessed is Your name. We pray for Your reign of  
peace to come, we pray that Your good will be done,  
let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day  
the bread we need, give bread to those who have  
none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us,  
lead us beyond the evil of these days – for Yours is  
the power and the glory and the mercy: forever Your  
name All in One. Amen.**

**Quiet Meditation** *Blest Be The Tie That Binds Us Together*  
By Bob Gilman John Douglas

**MESSAGE** *Celebrating Mother's Day* Pastor Mike Holland  
*with Apologies to Women*

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT** Pamela Galera, Elder  
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(Or, mail in pledges and gifts to the church office.  
Or, drop them in the mail slot at the church office. Thank You!)

## **BENEDICTION**

Pastor Kel Henderson

## **CONGREGATIONAL/CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;*

*I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.*

*I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;*

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

*(Repeat)*

## **POSTLUDE**

*Knowing You*

John Douglas

By Graham Kendrick