# Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church

# **COMMUNION SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

May 5, 2024

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** "Holy is the Lord" **Tornquist** 

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. From Psalm 34

Proclaim the Lord's greatness with me; let us exalt his name together. People:

Leader: I sought the Lord, and he answered me and rescued me from all my fears. People: Those who look to him are radiant with joy; their faces will never be ashamed.

You who are his holy ones, fear the Lord, for those who fear him lack nothing. Leader:

People: Those who seek the Lord will not lack any good thing.

The Lord is near the brokenhearted; he saves those crushed in spirit. Leader:

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good. How happy is the one who takes refuge in him!

**OPENING HYMN** 

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

#210

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most Holy and Merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another, that we have sinned against you by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways. Forgive us, we pray, and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. Amen.

#### SILENT CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**HYMN OF ASSURANCE** "Holy, Holy" #69

### CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TIME FOR GREETING

Exodus 19:1-9 and 1 Peter 2:9-10 **SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

SERMON "Family Resemblance" Pastor Carolyn Poteet

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there, He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Elders will bring the elements to your seat. We shall partake of each element together. Please use time before and after you are served for prayer and meditation. Gluten-free bread is available at the center of each serving tray.

### 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.

OFFERTORY "Sacrifice of Praise" Martin

DOXOLOGY #815

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**CLOSING HYMN** "We are Called to be God's People" #415

MOMENT FOR MISSION PRISM College Ministry Scott Boyd, Director

**BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord" Young

