



The People of God in Worship
May 12, 2019
Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

THE GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

To our Guests, Members, and Friends: In the pew rack you will find a small brochure to give us the opportunity to get to know you and serve you better. Fill in where appropriate, and place it in the collection plate. Welcome and thank you!

THE PRELUDE

Please consider the prelude as an invitation to quietly, reverently prepare yourself for worship.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Dr. Cliff Potter

Leader: "The Lord lives and blessed be my rock!"

People: "Hallelujah!"

Leader: "May the God of my salvation be exalted!"

People: "Hallelujah!"

Leader: "Where is your sting now, Death?"

People: "You have no power here."

Leader: "Our God lives,

ALL: **AND BLESSED BE THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION!**

(from Psalm 30, The Voice Bible)

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 16**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

***THE INVOCATION AND GLORIA PATRI**

Dr. Cliff Potter
& The Community

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

SERVICE OF FAMILY DEDICATION

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kears

Emilia Rae Sawyer February 7, 2019
Parents: Ernie & Amy Sawyer
Sister: Garrett
Grandparents: Donnie & Nancy Sale
Joyce Sawyer, Ernie & Donna Sawyer
Great-Grandmother: Elizabeth Garrett

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Rev. Kears

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!
Reply: **And also with you!**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Dr. Bundy Potter

Leader: "A word from God for the people of God."
People: **"Thanks be to God."**

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:15-17

Dr. Bundy Potter

ANTHEM

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

arr. Hal Hopson

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF COMMUNITY, THE MORNING PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Kears

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN (remain seated)

Jesus Loves Me

THE GIFTS

Offertory Moment and Prayer
Offertory Music
*Doxology - No. 815

Allan Heer
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

THE MESSAGE

Children of God

Rev. Kears

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself at this time. If you prefer not to present yourself, you may speak to the minister after the service to effect membership. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a profession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to renew their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

***HYMN No. 185**

Jesus Loves Me
(Verse 1 only)

***THE BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kears

***THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

***THE POSTLUDE**

The flowers today are given by Nancy and Donnie Sale in honor of their granddaughters, Garrett Lois and Emilia Rae Sawyer, and their mother, Amy.

- * The ushers will seat those waiting.
- * Those who are able will please stand.
- * Hearing aids are available from the ushers.

Copies of last week's sermon and the prayer list are in the narthex.

Offertory Emphasis\ Missions Moment

Brook Hill Farm Georgia Fauber

Please join me in prayer:

Lord, thank you for the gift of resurrection. Thank you for the witness of resurrection in the world, and for the ways you enact resurrection in our lives, all the time. Amen