

A Service of Prayer and Preaching
Fifth Week in Easter
April 25, 1989

Christ be with me, Christ within me
Christ behind me, Christ before me
Christ beside, Christ to win me
Christ to comfort and restore me
Christ beneath me, Christ above me
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger
Christ in hearts of all that love me
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger

Amen

"St. Patrick's Breastplate"
-Irish, 5th Century

Prelude (a time of silence and meditation)

* Call to Worship

- L: The Christ said: "This is my commandment: Love one another."
P: We come to worship the God who is love, that we may learn to love one another.
L: The Christ said: "If there is love among you, then all will know that you are my disciples."
P: We come to worship the God who is love, that others may see Christ in us.
L: Let us sing praises to God, and live in love for all of the Christian family.

* Hymn "All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord" # 301

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the Life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious Lord, Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and our hands to share it with humanity, in the name of your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Lesson Revelation 21:1-6

Musical Offering "God Makes All Things New" N. Broadbent
Judah Jones, soprano

Gospel Lesson John 13:31-38

Sermon

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer
(congregation singing- separate sheet) West Indian folk tune

* The Passing of the Peace

* Hymn "A Charge to Keep Have I"

150

* Benediction

Postlude

Preacher
Liturgist
Reader
Organist

Steven Ling
Debbie Murphy
Brad Scott
David Arcus