Order of Worship Sunday, May 2, 2021 9:30 a.m. Online

9:30 a.m. Unline

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Prelude and Candle-lighting What a Friend We Have in Jesus, arr. D. Cherwein Gaye Herndon, organist Katherine Cox, acolyte Welcome Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks **Opening Prayer** Matthew Swanson, liturgist Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen. **Call to Worship** Sweet Hour of Prayer Handbell Quartet Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed (traditional version) Matthew Swanson 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; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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. Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Brooks
Children's Chat		Kayla Shaffer
Scripture	Matthew 28:1-7, 11-15 (NRSV)	Matthew Swanson
Sermon	"Easter People: Cover-Up"	Rev. Becky Rokitowski
Response to the Word	Holy Spirit, Truth Divine	#465
Holy Communion		Rev. Brooks
Special Music	Great is Thy Faithfulness	Rollen Thomas, soloist

Closing Prayer

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Postlude

Postlude on 'Pilgrims,' R. Koury

Gaye Herndon, organist

Matthew Swanson