

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 7, 2023



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*Annapolis, Maryland*



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936  
Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789  
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
And also with you.

# KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

ELW 410

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, who has the world be -

friend - ed; to us no harm shall now come nigh, the

strife at last is end - ed. God shows good-will to

one and all, and peace when trou - bled sin - ners call. Thank

God for grace and mer - cy!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

**Acts 7:55-60**

<sup>55</sup>Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>“Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

**Psalms 31:1-3**

*Read in unison*

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;  
deliver me in your righteousness.

<sup>2</sup>Incline your ear to me;  
make haste to deliver me.

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;  
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

## THE SECOND LESSON

**1 Peter 2:2-10**

<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” <sup>8</sup>and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of The Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Alto) and two parts of a piano accompaniment (Right and Left Hand). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' repeated three times. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic background with chords and moving lines in both hands.

Music: "Alleluia 7." Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994, and the Taizé Community  
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## THE GOSPEL LESSON

## John 14:1-14

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John, the fourteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." <sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## HOMILY



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931  
 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

## The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

To the words "Hear us, O God," the congregation responds **"Your mercy is great."**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

## THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Quiet Devotion

R. Kevin Boesiger

### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

ELW 188

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670–1739

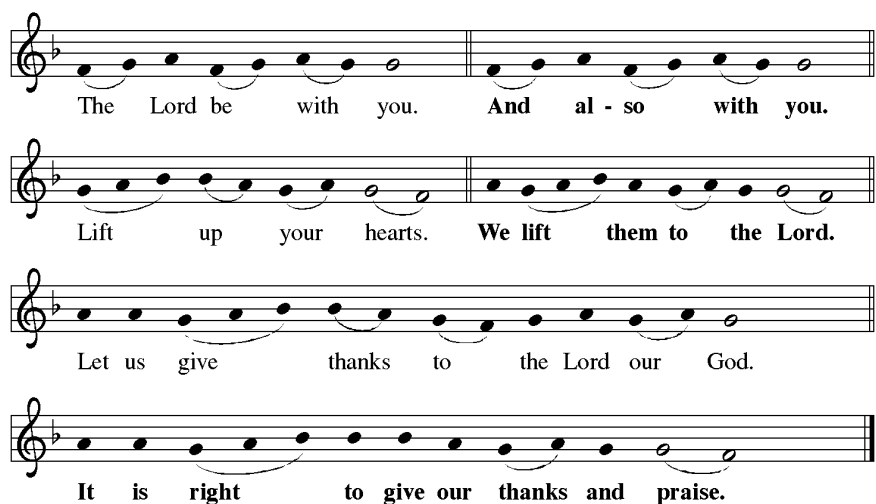
## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Before the Risen Christ, let us again acknowledge our need for forgiveness and grace,

**To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires are known. We come to you, confessing our sins and humbly seeking your forgiveness. Grant us mercy and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. And now He calls us to the Table of Love where he meets us anew in bread and cup.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

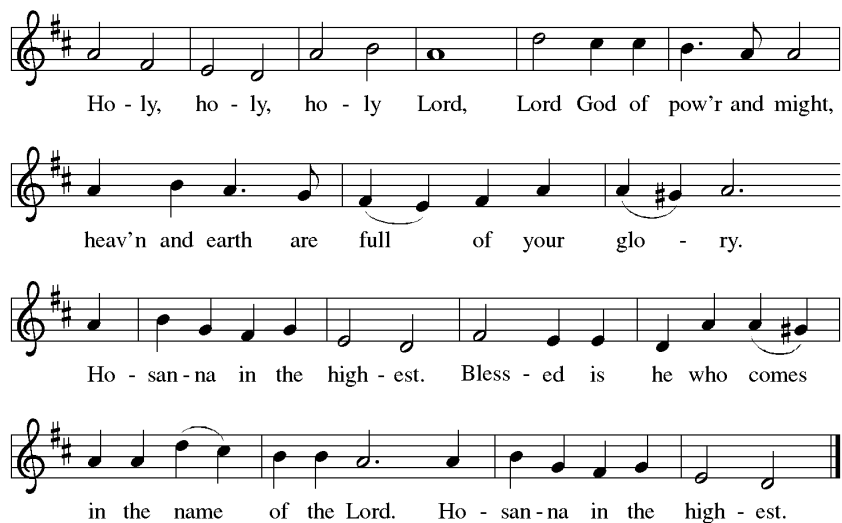
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

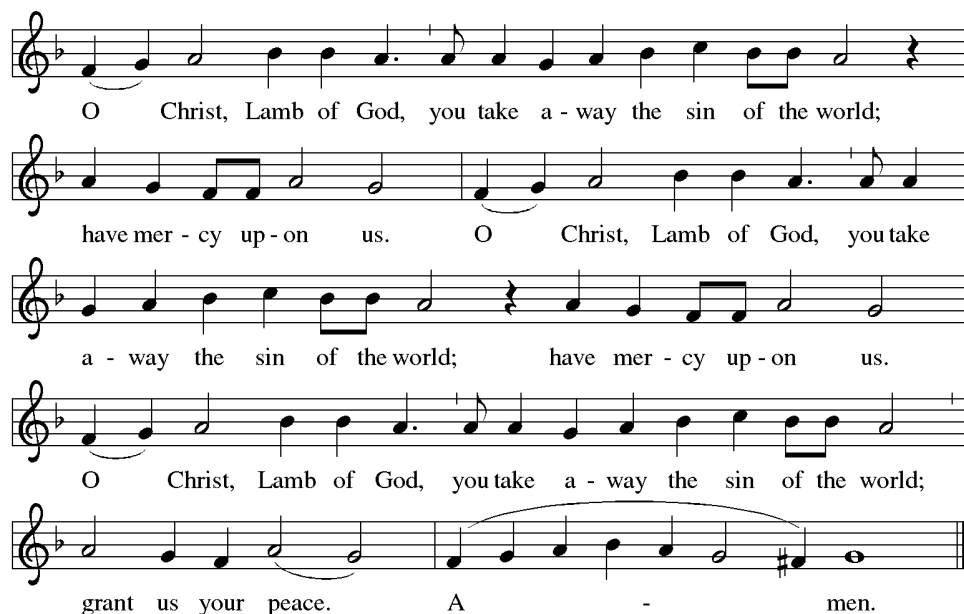
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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 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, forever and ever. Amen.





O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take  
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - - men.

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION** - At the Lord's Table we share in the gift of Jesus' body and blood. Please bring an empty glass from the head of the aisle to receive wine from a pouring cup. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses near the empty ones. If you need a gluten-free option for bread, please indicate that to the person with bread. Peel away communion kits are also available for any who so desire. Blessings will be given to those not yet communing.

COMMUNION HYMN

I Received the Living God

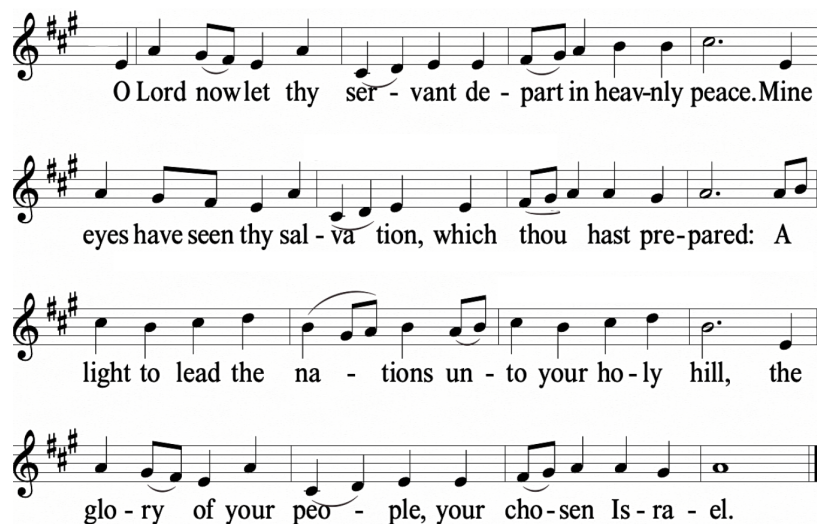


*Refrain*  
I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.  
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1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;  
2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;  
3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.  
4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,  
*Refrain*  
you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

Text: Anonymous  
Music: LIVING GOD, Anonymous

## BLESSING

## NUNC DIMITTIS



O Lord now let thy ser - vant de - part in heav-nly peace. Mine  
eyes have seen thy sal - va - tion, which thou hast pre-pared: A  
light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill, the  
glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.

Text: NUNC DIMITTIS  
Tune: ELLACOMBE

## BENEDICTION

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

## The Church's One Foundation

ELW 654



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
by schisms. . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900  
Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Sing to the Lord a Bright New Song!

David Paxton

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St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church Hosts

# ICONS IN TRANSFORMATION

**Free Art Exhibit Benefiting Ukrainian Refugees**

ICONS in Transformation is an internationally acclaimed traveling art exhibit featuring contemporary works by expressionist Ludmila Pawlowska, depicting light, love, spirituality, and time through her unique medium of three-dimensional paintings.

Debuting in Annapolis for the first time at St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church from April 23 through June 11, 2023, this engaging exhibit is free and open to the public. All artist's proceeds benefit Ukrainian Refugees.

**April 23 through  
June 11, 2023**

Sundays, Noon to 2 p.m.

Wednesdays, 4 to 7 p.m.

Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Serving in Worship Today		
Preacher & Celebrant	Pastor Dave Oravec	
Organist	Kim Rosekrans	
Altar Set Up	Altar Guild	
Media Technician	Sara Wetz	
	8:00	10:00
Assisting Minister	Dona Rudderow Sturn	Cam Cloeter
Communion Assistants	Eric Linton	Barb and Tom Freeman
Lector		Tori Johnson
Ushers	Molly Michaelson	Larry Day Dave Mattingley Rosa Ruhf Linda Wetz
Communion Clean Up	Lisa LasFargues	Sarah and John Gatchel

## Annual Mother's Day Tea



Attention ALL ladies: You are invited to attend the annual Mother's Day Tea next **Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 10:00am**. The tea is being hosted by Joyful Hearts and will be held in the courtyard. If Mother Nature does not cooperate that day, we will move inside to the hallway outside the music room and art room. There will be tea, finger sandwiches, and cookies provided.

To help us with planning, we ask that you respond by scanning the QR code below or kindly call the church office so we know how many ladies will be attending. We also ask that you bring your own teacup and, of course, wear your most festive hat. Bring a daughter, granddaughter, and/or friend.

We look forward to seeing many of you as we celebrate Mother's Day together. If you have questions, please contact the church office at: 410-263-4723.



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## Opportunities This Week

### Wednesday, May 10, 2023

- 7:00 am** Men's Prayer Breakfast (Double T)
- 4:00 pm** Icons Exhibit Open
- 7:00 pm** Tom Keesecker Concert (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, May 11, 2023

- 11:30 am** Mid-day Bible Study (Double T)
- 6:30 pm** Good Night with God (Zoom)

### Saturday, May 13, 2023

- 10:00 am** Icons Exhibit Open
- 10:00 am** Joyful Hearts - Mother's Day Tea (Courtyard)

### Sunday, May 14, 2023

- 8:00 am** Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am** Worship (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm** Icons Exhibit Open



Invite friends and loved ones for a very special evening with **pianist Tom Keesecker next Wednesday, May 10th at 7:00 PM**. Tom's beautiful arrangements of Christian hymns and insightful theological reflections have made him a favorite guest in

churches throughout the United States. We hope you will put May 10th on your calendar now and bring your friends to see the art installation and share in this concert. There's no cost for the concert but we will receive a free-will offering.



On **Sunday, May 21st at 3 PM** we will welcome renown organist, **Monte Maxwell**, to our organ bench. As the Chapel Organist, Director of Chapel Music and the Midshipmen Symphony Orchestra at the United States Naval Academy since 1997, Monte is a tremendous blessing to our community.

We are extremely excited to welcome Monte, especially during Commissioning Week! Bring friends to see the art installation and to share in this very special concert. A free will offering will be received.