

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

Gathering

We welcome you to worship at the Kirk of Kildaire. We encourage you to enjoy conversation with your neighbors before the chiming. We ask you to respect your neighbor by turning off your cell phone.

Chiming of the Trinity

Opening Sentences

Time of Silence

You are invited to use these moments of silence to “be still” and know the Lord is among us as we prepare to worship God.

Musical Greeting and Lighting of the Christ Candles

The candles lit by the acolyte symbolize Jesus Christ, the light of the world. One candle represents the divine nature of Christ and the other candle represents the human nature of Christ.

“Be Thou My Vision”

arr. C. Berry

* Call to Worship

Leader: We are God’s church, the bride of Christ:

People: We come together to worship.

Leader: God has given us the Word:

People: We come together to learn from our Lord.

Leader: Christ has called us into his family:

People: We come together to share our lives.

Leader: We come together to prepare ourselves for service.

People: We come together to celebrate God’s Spirit among us.

Leader: We are God’s church, the bride of Christ:

People: We come together to worship.

*† Song 442

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA

* Prayer of Confession

Good and gracious God, as a mother gathers her family together, you gather us together in your church because you love us. You gather us together to teach us, challenge us, nourish us, and create relationships where we can love and support one another. We confess we do not appreciate your gift and all too easily look for the flaws in our family. We care more for ourselves than members of our church family. We fail to love your church as you love us, with grace and understanding. Forgive us. Send your Spirit to heal us, guide us, and help us become a family of faith prepared to be your people in the world. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time of silence for personal confession.

* Proclamation of Mercy

*† Sharing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The Resurrected Jesus greeted his disciples with, “Peace be with you.”

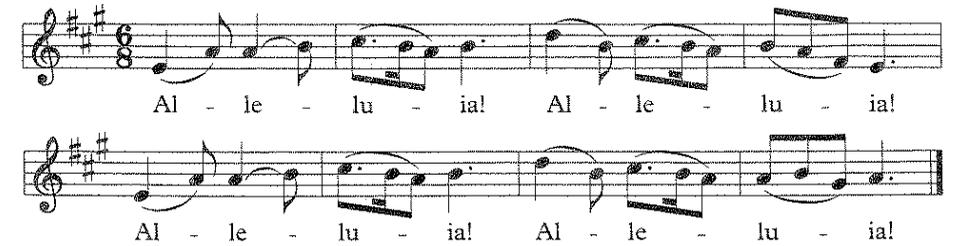
People: And also with you.

Exchange with one another signs of peace and reconciliation.

* Response of Praise

“Alleluia”

CELTIC ALLELUIA



Welcome and Life of the Church

Please fill out the black Friendship Pad found in the pews.

LEARNING OF GOD’S GRACE

Time with Children

Jody Welker

After Time with Children, parents of preschool children ages three and four years old may take their children downstairs to Room M8 for childcare. Children in grades 1-6 may go to meet their choir leader for Peace and Hallelujah Choirs. All other children may return to their families.

Response

“Jesus Loves Me”

Hymn 304, verse 2

**Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,
taking children on His knee, saying “Let them come to Me.”
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so!**

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:42-47

NT page 120

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Mother of All Believers”

Jody Welker

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed (traditional)

**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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Worship of God with our Material Gifts

One does not give to a church, but rather to God. We give through the church for the work of God’s kingdom.

Consecration of Offerings

Musical Offering

“God Is There”
Elizabeth Luttrell

L. Schultz

*In a song that's lifted upward, in a prayer that's whispered low,
in this place of holy worship we can feel and sense and know;
God is here! God is here in the people gathered near
in this place of holy worship, God is here.*

*In a mother's strength and wisdom, in a father's gentle care,
in our families, each one different, we discover God is there.
God is there! God is there in our homes, no matter where;
in our families, each one different, God is there.*

*God is in, around, beside us, behind us and before,
ever-present when we gather to worship and adore.
In our homes and in our families we know that God is there;
and we become God's presence in our world and everywhere.*

* Offering Response

“Festival Doxology”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Joys and Concerns

The Kirk is a Stephen Ministry congregation. If you would like to discuss a personal prayer concern with a Stephen Minister or have one pray with you, simply stop by the Library after the 8:45 service. Stephen Minister Barbara Crews will be there this Sunday for prayer.

Time for Silent Prayer

Please remember in your prayers all the mother figures in your life.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*The prayers conclude with 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.***

SENT TO SHARE GOD'S GRACE

* Sending Song 438

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

DENNIS

* Charge and Blessing

* Response

“Lift High the Cross”

refrain of Hymn 371

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name.**

* Musical Blessing

Postlude on “Aurelia”

arr. A. Jordan

* All who are able, please stand. † Ushers will seat late arrivals.

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Lector: Mackenzie Lamb

Liturgist: Melinda Merkley King

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Service of the Lord's Day

May 11, 2014

8:45 A.M. Worship



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Rooted in Christ's Teachings
Reaching In and Reaching Out***

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