



Second Baptist Church, Suffield

May 9, 2021
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

Welcome

Prelude

“Invocation”

Birchwood

Jean Aldrich-Jones, organist

Call to Worship

We are called to love one another, to worship the One from whom all love is born.

We love, because God first loved us.

God's love is with us when we are born into this world.

We love, because God first loved us.

We are called to proclaim God's love to all people, in all times and places.

We love, because God first loved us.

We are called to love all of creation, in all our relationships.

May God's eternal love be made known through our being. Amen.

Hymn

“I Love to Tell the Story”

#480 (vv. 1 & 2)

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

2. I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (**Refrain**)

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.

First Reading 1 John 5: 1-6 Jamie Guilmette

Anthem "Shower the People" SBC Choir
Jean Aldrich-Jones, pianist

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A Time for Children Sue Schneller

A Time of Prayer

Second Reading John 15: 9-17

Reflection *No Greater Love* Rev. Dr. Rachael Lawrence

Hymn "Help Us Accept Each Other" #487 (vv. 1 & 2)

1. Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.
2. Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
To love them as we find them or as they may become.

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Pastoral Blessing

Postlude "Chorale: Farewell Will I Thee Give"
Jean Aldrich-Jones, organist
Melody by Teschner (1614); Harmonized by J.S. Bach