

PRESBYTERY ORDER OF WORSHIP – MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

**Prelude** *This is the Day that the Lord has Made*  
(Courtesy of St. Andrews-Covenant Presbyterian Choir)

**Opening Sentences** *Matt. 5:3–12* (from PCUSA Matt. 25) **Rev. Cam Thomas**

Jesus says: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

**And blessed is the church that serves with the love of God to eradicate systemic poverty.**

Jesus says: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

**And blessed is the church that trusts in the grace of Christ to build congregational vitality.**

Jesus says: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people revile you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

**And blessed is the church that seeks by the power of the Spirit to dismantle structural racism.**

Blessed are you, O holy, triune God,  
**and blessed is your holy realm forever.**

**Gathering Prayer** (fr the PCUSA Matt. 25 resources) **Rev. Cam Thomas**

Holy God, by your Word and Spirit, come and transform your church to be a living sign of your love for the world — where the poor are filled with good things, the dividing walls are broken down, and the dead are raised to new life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**Musical Reflection** *Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord*  
(Courtesy of Wallace Presbyterian Church)

**Message**

“Interruptions”

**Rev. Warren Lesane**

Mark 5:22-26 / Matt. 25:31–46

**Pentecost Offering**

Video from the PCUSA Resources

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**Musical Reflection** *We are Marching in the Light of God*

St. Andrews Covenant Presbyterian Children (recorded pre-pandemic)

**Pastoral Prayer for the Presbytery**

**Rev. Cam Thomas**

**Installation of the Vice-Moderator** **Elder Naomi Newton & Rev. Bill Young**

**Benediction**

**Rev. Bill Young**

**Postlude**

*Be Thou My Vision*

(Four hands piano, Courtesy of Wallace Presbyterian Church)

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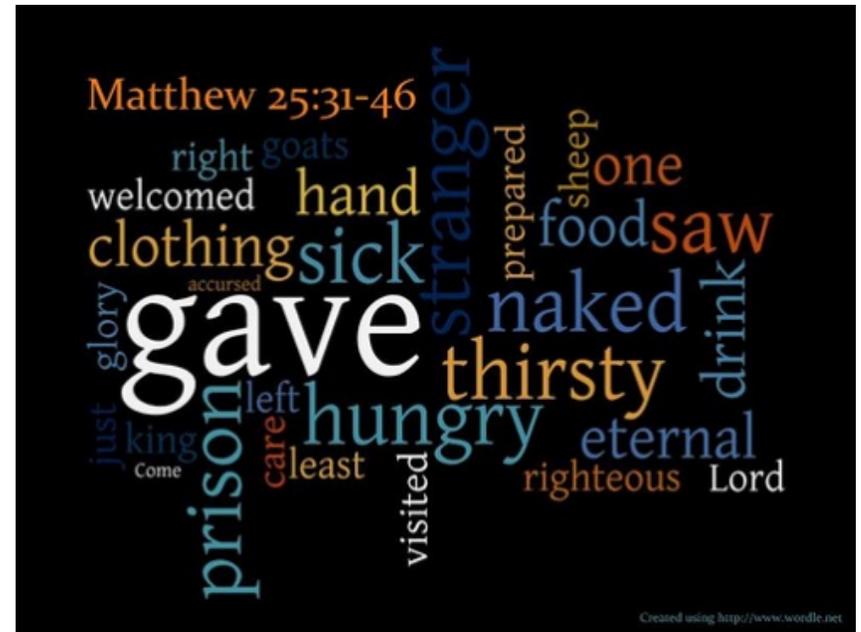
**Worship Participants:**

- **Rev. Cam Thomas**, Pastor Topsail Presbyterian Church
- **Rev. Warren Lesane**, Executive and Stated Clerk Synod of the Mid-Atlantic
- **Elder Naomi Newton**, Presbytery Moderator & Silver Hill Presbyterian
- **Rev. Bill Young**, Vice-Moderator of Presbytery & Pastor Sneads Ferry Presbyterian Church
- Music from **St. Andrews Covenant Presbyterian Church** and **Wallace Presbyterian Church**

Video Production: **Elder Bill Butler** (Wallace) and **Rev. Laura Lupton** (Staff)

***PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA***

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***10AM***

***ZOOM, FACEBOOK, YOUTUBE***