

6th Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day

May 9, 2021, 11:00 am

PRELUDE

Rêverie—Claude Debussy

CALL TO RETURN TO OUR SOULS

(for some people, Mother's Day is a hard day. If it's that way for you, feel free to substitute Dad, Grandma, Aunt, Sister, or whomever works for you!)

Pastor: Thanks, Mom!—For making us wash the dishes.

Quartet: For teaching us to read, have manners,

Pastor: Eat something besides candy and cake

Quartet: And keep going to school...

Pastor: And keep going and keep going—until we could actually become useful.

Quartet: Thanks, Mom!

Pastor: For telling us not to be so miserable.

Quartet: And not to hang around the wrong people,

Pastor: Especially when the wrong people was us!

Quartet: Thanks, Mom, For showing us what womanhood could be.

Pastor: For giving us a deeper vision of life's meaning

Quartet: For saying stuff to us that made us think we were hearing it straight from the mouth of God.

Pastor: And maybe we are! We praise God!

A Hymn for Mother's Day (Melita) insert

CALL TO CONFESSION AND COMMITMENT

Pastor: God, the last thing I am is serene.

Quartet: Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change.

Pastor: God, I have been afraid, dwelled on my worries, fed my fears

Quartet: Grant me the courage to change the things I can.

Pastor: God, I have forced solutions, acted as if there are no solutions,
become lazy about thinking things through.

Quartet: Grant me wisdom to discern what I cannot change from what I can change, especially about myself. Amen.

#2050 Sing the Faith Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

1. **Bible readings:** Luke 15:8-10 Matthew 23:37 Deuteronomy 32:11-12
 Hosea 13:8 Isaiah 49: 13-15 Ephesians 6:2-3

Jennifer Weiman

SUNG RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE

#2046 Sing the Faith Womb of Life

Message SCOTT Valuing Motherhood, Post Pandemic!

#201 Glory to God A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar

WELCOME

Anthem

I Will Bow— text: Shaker text; music, Frederick Chatfield

Mother's Day Prayer, Lord's Prayer, Congregational Response

#2160

Sing the Faith

Into My Heart

OFFERTORY

To My Little Son— text: Julia Johnson Davis; music, Florence Price

Jennifer Weiman, mezzo soprano

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Chanting of “Be Still and Know That I am God”

Closing Hymn

542 **Glory to God** **God Be With You Till We Meet Again**

BLESSING

SUNG BENEDICTION RESPONSE

#740 **Glory to God** **Lead Me, Guide Me**

POSTLUDE

To a Wild Rose (from *Woodland Sketches*) Edward MacDowell