

Traditional Order of Worship
 May 14, 2023
 Worship Series: Rise Up
 Message: Sacrifice

Prelude *In the Garden* Franconia Musica

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

*Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, God gathers us for worship,
 like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

**People: In love, God saves and supports us,
 teaching us the way we should go.**

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, come and worship!
 For we are chosen people and precious in God's sight--
 God's very own family!

People: Let us offer sacrifices of worship and praise!

*Hymn *Crown Him with Many Crowns* UMH 327

*Opening Prayer Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: Gracious God,
 We hear Your call to witness to the eternal love of Christ.
 Remind us that we are responsible for caring for each other.
 We are called to lift up rather than tear down;
 to support rather than abandon,
 to reach out when others have turned away.
 Give us hearts of love that, in all places and times,
 we may be a witness to the hope that is found in Jesus Christ. AMEN.**

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Mother's Day Litany Franconia Players

Prayers of People Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**In each act of self-giving on behalf of others;
 In the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough;
 In all responsible use of the earth's resources.
 Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.**

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action:

**Through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex,
 nation, or faith;**

Through the exploitation of people because of greed and indifference;

**Through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and
 international life;**

**Through the search for security by those military and economic forces that
 threaten human existence;**

**Through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life
 upon it.**

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ:

To take up the cross;

To seek abundant life for all humanity;

To struggle for peace with justice and freedom;

**To risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may
 come.**

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. AMEN.

*Hymn

The Summons

TFWS 2130

*Benediction

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude

Morning Has Broken

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