## Order of Worship Earth Day Sunday, April 26, 2020

**Welcome** Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Greeting from Psalm 148 Kelly Paulson

Praise the Lord! Praise God from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

Praise God, all you angels; praise God, all you heavenly host!

Praise God, sun and moon, and all you shining stars!

Praise God, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God commanded and they were created.

God established them forever and ever; God fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling God's command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and women alike, old and young together!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God's name alone is exalted; God's glory is above earth and heaven.

**Opening Hymn** 

For the Beauty of the Earth

see song sheet below

Opening Prayer Kevin Sweeney

God of abundant grace,

we praise you for the beauty of land and sea and sky.

In giving us dominion over things on earth,

you have made us co-workers in your creation.

Give us wisdom and reverence to use the resources of nature

so that no one may suffer from our abuse of them,

and so that generations yet to come

may continue to praise you for your bounty;

through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Scripture Genesis 1: 26-31 Kelsey White

Matthew 25:14-30

Children's Message Jon White

Sermon Creation—Do We Care? Jon White

Special Music Look at the World Rutter

Chancel, Children's and Youth Choirs and Celebration Singers (recorded Nov. 24, 2019)

Prayer Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Closing Hymn Across the Lands see song sheet below

Lauren and Lisa Smith, vocals Mike Bannach, guitar, Rusty Smith, bass

**Benediction** Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Postlude Dorian Dance Joy

Wesley Ringers II (recorded June 16, 2019)

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Today is **Earth Sunday!** We welcome a guest preacher in our worship:

Rear Admiral (retired) Jon White had a distinguished 32-year career as an oceanography and meteorology officer in the U.S. Navy, culminating in his assignment as the Oceanographer and Navigator of the Navy. This position included leadership of the Navy's Task Force Climate Change.

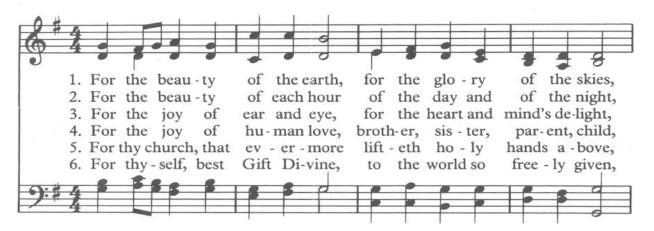
Jon is currently the President & CEO of the Consortium for Ocean Leadership, a non-profit corporation that represents over 90 ocean science and technology member organizations from academia and industry, advancing science and technology toward an ocean that is healthy and prosperous while meeting the needs of all life on Earth.

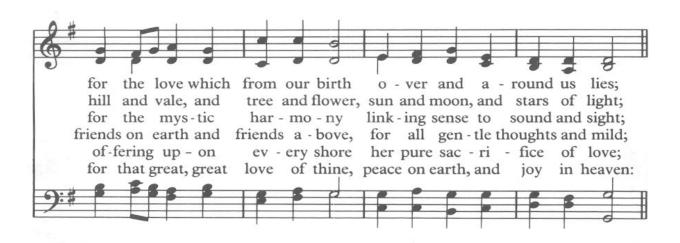
Jon earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Oceanography from the Florida Institute of Technology, and a Master's degree in Oceanography and Meteorology from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School.

Jon spent the majority of his Navy career using information about the environment to make military decisions. Since his retirement from the Navy, he has been using information about the environment to influence decision making on a much broader scale.

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## For the Beauty of the Earth







\*For Holy Communion

WORDS: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864

MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. by W. H. Monk, 1861

## Across the Lands

Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend

