



“Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” – John 6:27

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

May 17, 2026 – Seventh Sunday of Easter – Youth Sunday

*(*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in **boldface**.)*

PRELUDE

“Largo”

G. F. Handel

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE & RINGING THE TRINITY

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please take a brief moment to greet those around you)

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER *(from Psalm 69)*

Mary Grace Carter

Let the righteous be joyful; let sing praises to God’s name.

Lift up a song to the One who rides upon the clouds.

Father of orphans and protector of widows,

you give a home to the desolate and lead out the prisoners.

When you marched before your people

through the wilderness,

the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain;

in your goodness, you provided for the needy.

Sing to the Lord, O kingdoms of the earth;

listen to his mighty voice.

Awesome is the God who gives power

and strength to his people. Blessed be the Lord!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dylan Thomas

Almighty God, you call us to prayer and repentance, but we cannot hear your voice amid the many distractions of life. We fail to confess our dependence upon you; nor are we able to witness nobility in humility. We ignore the pattern of life that Christ has set before us, thinking only of our own needs while worrying about the cost of helping others. By your great mercy, forgive us, Lord. Silence the noise that surrounds us. Give us the patience and discipline that we need to listen carefully to your Word so that we may find our way back to you.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: #251 (v.5) “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”

Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to him praises be.

Jesus is living! Let us all sing; he reigns triumphant, heavenly King.

Let us sing praise to him with endless joy. Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.

Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: I Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

Dylan Thomas

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

ANTHEM [11:00]

“Redeemer of My Heart”

Joseph Martin

Search me, Lord, and know me, Redeemer of my heart.

Search me. Know me. Reveal my inmost part.

You are Light eternal. You are the Morning Star.

Shine your love on me, O Lord, Redeemer of my heart.

When I rise to greet the morning, Lord, I find You there.

When I call in the night, You are with me. Lord, You hear my prayer.

When I turn my heart from heaven, when I fall and go astray,

Like a shepherd, Lord, You find me. You lead me back into the way.

Search me, Lord, and know my heart today.

Cleanse me, Lord, and teach me to obey.

Search me, Lord, and know me, Redeemer of my heart

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You are Light eternal. You are the Morning Star.
Shine your love on me, O Lord, Redeemer of my heart.
Shine your love on me, O Lord, Redeemer of my heart.
Search me, Lord, and know me, Redeemer of my heart.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 17:1-11

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Famous Last Words”

Rev. George W. Chapman III

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles’ Creed*

Steven Vattimo

What do we believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Seamus Smithwick

OFFERING

Declan Smithwick

**Response: #240 (v.2) “Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks”*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Spread the good news o’er all the earth, Jesus has died and has risen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**Prayer of Dedication*

*HYMN #846

“Fight the Good Fight”

DUKE STREET

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Many, many thanks to our Shallotte Presbyterian Youth who helped to lead our worship service today: Mary Grace Carter, Rosaleigh Ludlum, A.J. Pendergrass, Mary Payton Pendergrass, Declan Smithwick, Seamus Smithwick, Dylan Thomas, Steven Vattimo. SPC Youth meet in the Fellowship Hall every Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:45. If you know of a young person of middle-high school age who would like to join us for this time of fun and fellowship, please contact the church office for further information!

The flowers are dedicated by our Thursday Bridge Group in honor of Carol Partridge and in memory of Chuck Partridge.

As a courtesy to others, please take a moment to silence your cell phone before our worship service begins.

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