

Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church
Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. *Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP
God our deliverer, you raised your Son Jesus from the dead, and now he calls us friends: Show us the way to live in love and friendship with all earth’s people. Help us bring your gift of peace wherever conflict reigns. Make us ready to receive your Spirit of truth, our companion and guide, and lead us into the light of your glory to join those who bring you the honor of the nations. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen and glorified. Amen.

Celebrating our first fifteen years of faithful living and giving!

Sunday, May 6, 2018**Easter 6**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

PreludeSarah Abushakra

Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ candle

Hymn No. 465What A Friend We Have in Jesus*

Greeting
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

*Sharing the Peace of Christ
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ’s peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

***Responsive Call to Worship**Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh
Come and partake of the feast of God.
We are hungry and in need of food.
God comes to satisfy our deepest needs.
It is only God who can fill our hearts.
God comes to us humbly in simple gifts.
With humility we open our hearts to God.

Hymn No. 14For the Beauty of the Earth*

Call to ConfessionLiturgist: Rick Thornburgh
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, Jesus is faithful to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of ConfessionLiturgist: Rick Thornburgh
God of Grace, we know that if your love abides in us, we will keep your commandment to love one another: We are troubled that we are not always faithful to your word; we are afraid that we will fail as bearers of your gift of peace; we are worried that we do not know you as we ought; we are anxious and hold back from embracing others in your love. Take away our fear and lead us by your Spirit in the healing stream. Abide in us as you abide in Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of PardonLiturgist: Rick Thornburgh
Friends hear the good news and believe it:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

Affirmation of Faith*The Apostle’s Creed*
PCUSA Book of Confessions
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.

Hymn No. 581Glory Be to the Father*
GLORIA PATRI

Time With Young Disciples*Children’s Church follows in Room 5*
The children are invited to come to the steps for the
Time With Young Disciples

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.

Prayer of Intercession and The Lord’s Prayer (“debts and debtors”)
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory*How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place*
Celebration Choir

***Doxology Hymn No. 606**
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**
Loving God, we are so grateful for the many blessings you give to us. May these gifts we bring support your ministry in this church and in the world. Use them for your service, that lives and hearts will be touched by them. May they provide a path for others to know your love and become a part of your holy family. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD, SHARED WITNESS AND SACRAMENT

Scripture**John 15:9-17**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**
NRSV

Sermon*Loving, Obedient, Fruitful Friends*
Pastor Tom Dendy

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn before Communion No. 533In the Singing*

Invitation to the Table – Men and women shall come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God. This is the Lord’s table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared
Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread and Cup by the Elders (Please hold each until all have been served. Thanks.)

***Unison Prayer After Communion**
God our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit of your Son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in him, and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us. Amen.

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction

Hymn No. 687Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

*Postlude

(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

PRAYER FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS
There will be a gathering after worship at the front of the sanctuary for anyone desiring prayers for healing and wholeness. Please have a seat down front and Pastor Tom and an Elder will join you as soon as possible.

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun May 6	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Communion, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
Tue May 8	Quilters	10:00 am
	Movie Night – <i>Joshua</i>	6:00 pm
Wed May 9	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu May 10	Fundraiser at Chili's	5:00-9:00 pm
Sat May 12	Bike Blessing	10:00 am
Sun May 13	MOTHER'S DAY	
	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, He~Brews Café for Youth	11:00 am

Serving May 6
Visitor Table: Nanette Kelly **Nursery:** Leslie Eckert
Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini
Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller **Preacher:** Tom Dendy
Media Shout: Katrena White **Sound Board:** Nicklaus McIlrath
Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh
Elder of the Week: Terry Baker - 843-903-1195
Ushers: Rick Thornburgh, Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard, Terry Baker
Communion Elders: Ken Krenzer, Nancy Torcivia, Barbara Barranco, Terry Baker

Serving May 13
Visitor Table: Joseph Mehalick **Nursery:** Donna Woodard
Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini
Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller **Preacher:** Cecilia Evans
Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar **Sound Board:** Katrena White
Liturgist: Anne Brallier
Elder of the Week: Bernadine Lamar – 843-234-1935
Ushers: Rick and Nancy Thornburgh, Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
January-March 2018	
April figures will be available next week	
Income	\$73,027.55
Expense	\$74,834.78
Deficit YTD	[\$1,807.23]
<i>We can clear our deficit through March if everyone contributes an additional \$15.75 this month.</i>	

Our Purpose
To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.


JOIN US AT CELEBRATION
We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!

Upcoming Opportunities	
May 8 –	Movie Night <i>Joshua</i> will be shown 6pm.
May 10 –	Fund Raiser Dinner at Chili's Restaurant. A portion of each meal purchased by persons with a Celebration Flyer will be donated to Celebration. Come enjoy a meal and fellowship at Chili's 5pm-9pm. Flyers available in the hallway.
May 12 –	Bike Blessing for motorcycles and riders 10am – 12pm with a free luncheon provided to participants. Rain date May 19.
May 14 -	GOD GAB at The Grumpy Monk, 6pm. Join us to gather together for a meal and fellowship. We will be looking at Colossians 3:12-17
June 6 –	Blood Drive 12noon – 5pm Soup and refreshments will be provided.

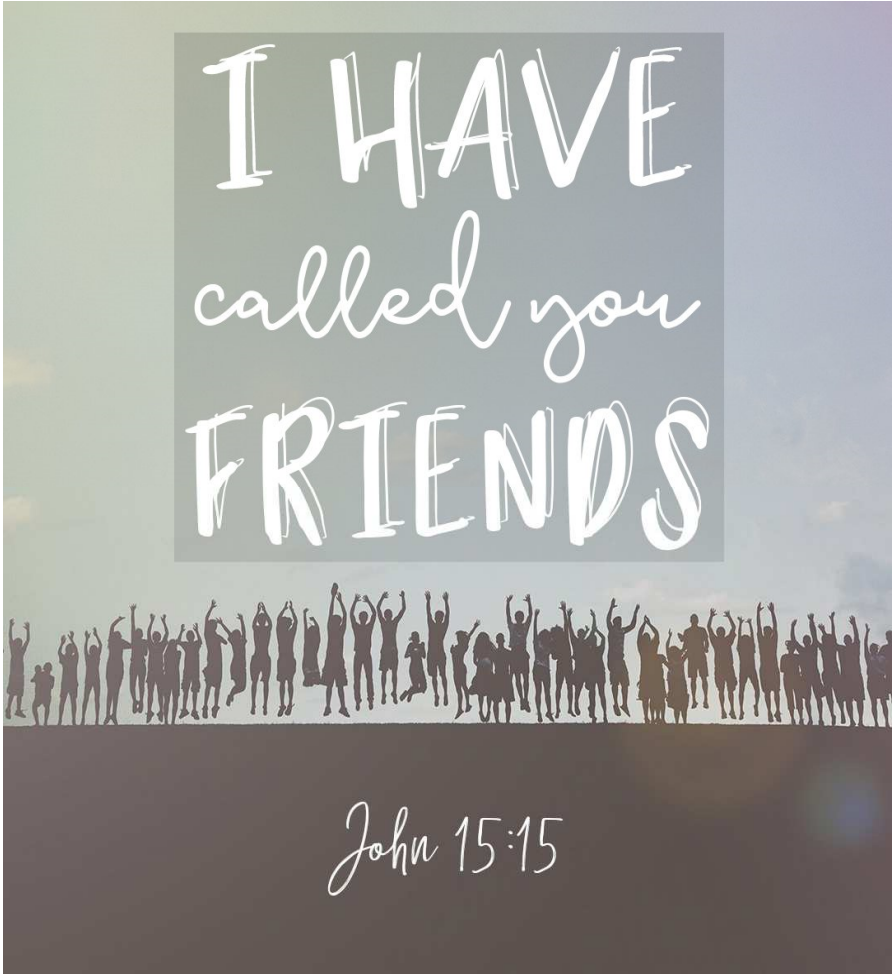
SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS: _____



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May 6, 2018
11:00 a.m. Worship
Celebrating 15 Years of Faithful Mission and Ministry!



John 15:15

OUR MISSION *is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!*