



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:

Lord, we gather this morning eager for a word from you, but we need your Holy Spirit to help us. Open our ears to hear not just what is familiar, comfortable, or desirable, but rather what you are in fact saying to us. Today we attend to your Word in worship. Help us to discern your voice in our lives and in our communities. for it is in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Sunday, May 1, 2016

6th Sunday of Easter

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ Candle

*Hymn No. 451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* OPEN MY EYES

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.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

*Responsive Call to Worship Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills

The warmth of the shining sun... **Reflects the warmth of God's love for us.**

The refreshing water of the gently flowing stream... **Reflects God's cleansing and renewing grace.**

The rush of a mighty wind... **Reflects God's powerful Spirit, present in each of us.**

All: Let us worship God, who nurtures and sustains us!

*Hymn No. 453 *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People* YISRAEL V'ORAITA

Call to Confession

Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills

Friends, we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The good news is that with God, grace abounds and forgiveness is real to all who confess. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills

Forgive us this day, Christ Jesus. We consume faith experiences like we consume food in a restaurant. We devote one or two hours on Sunday as sufficient spiritual input for our lives. We ask the church to teach our children values when we do not uphold the same values. We find much of the faith journey a chore. Create in us new spirits, so that we make every day a day of intention, a time of walking with you. Grant us your pardon and give us the strength to change our ways. Through Jesus. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills

Friends, hear the good news and believe it: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God**

*Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581 *(The children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps)*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Time With Young Disciples *Children's Church follows in Room 5*

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

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 our Tithes and Offerings to God

Offertory

Thy Word

*Doxology Hymn No. 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Scriptures

John 14:23-29

NRSV

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

We Need Reminders...

Tom Dendy

*Hymn of Preparation No. 525 *Let Us Break Bread Together* LET US BREAK BREAD

Invitation to the Lord's Table / Words of Institution / Prayer of Consecration and Preparation

Sharing the Bread and Cup (Distribution by Elders)

Prayer after Communion

You have given yourself to us, Lord. **Now we give ourselves to others.**

Your love has made us new people; **As a people of love we will serve you with joy.**

Your glory has filled our hearts. **Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen**

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction

*Choral Response Hymn No. 450 (Vs. 1-2) *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

*Postlude

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

We are pleased to provide online giving options as an alternative to giving cash and checks in the offering plates. Just scan the QR code to access our mobile giving site. You can also arrange to give through bill-pay at your own bank's website.



CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS

Sun May 1	“The Way” Bible Study with Cheryl Dulin	9:15 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:30 am
	Worship, Communion, Nursery, Children’s Church	11:00 am
Mon May 2	“Tool Time” Bible Study at the church	10:30 am
Tue May 3	Quilters meet at the church	10:00 am
Wed May 4	Men’s Breakfast at IHOP	8:00 am
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu May 5	LadyBug Luncheon at Damon’s Grill	12:00 pm
Sat May 7	Celebration & Blue Knights - Host a Biker Blessing with a light lunch	10am – 12 noon
	(rain date May 21)	
Sun May 8	MOTHER’S DAY	

Serving May 1

Visitor Table: Sharon Hills **Nursery:** Trudy Miller and Donna Woodard

Children’s Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini and Mary Ann Bowie

Grades 1-5: Mary Cait Jones

Media Shout: Katrena White **Sound Board:** Neil Carter

Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills **Elder of the Week:** Bernadine Lamar – 843-234-1935

Ushers: Jesse Wallace, Bob Stepanek, Terry Baker, Nancy Torcivia

Serving May 8

Visitor Table: Nanette Kelly **Nursery:** Trudy Miller and Donna Woodard

Children’s Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini and Nancy Resnick

Grades 1-5: Mary Cait Jones and Leslie Eckert

Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar **Sound Board:** Neil Carter

Liturgist: Priscilla Mulligan **Elder of the Week:** Carol Butler – 843-234-1573

Ushers: Jesse Wallace, Bob Stepanek, Terry Baker, Nancy Torcivia

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May 1, 2016 – 11:00 a.m. Worship

Celebrating 13 Years of Faithful Mission and Ministry!



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!

OUR PURPOSE is 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!