

7<sup>TH</sup> EASTER AND HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

06/02/2019

10:00 am

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A special word of welcome to those visiting our church today. We are happy you joined us in worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us each Sunday and to participate in other activities and services here.

Please stand for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (\*). Any who prefer may “rise up” in spirit only, if physically standing presents difficulties.

GATHERING

CHIMES CALLING US TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“We Thank Thee”

Nancy Cook, Organist

Welcome and Announcements: Pastor and Congregation

(The prayer station in the back of the sanctuary is available for lighting a candle or leaving a prayer note any time before, during, or after worship.)

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Thank you for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. We greet those around us with words of welcome and peace.)

CENTERING PRAYER: UNISON

Eternal Spirit, Creator of all things, places and peoples, we come together in the name of “The Christ.” In him you became one with us, that we might become one with one another in true love and in our worship of you. We’ve come! May you be present with and amongst us. Amen!

\*Call to Worship: Watch and wait - Leader and People

L: We've come here today, seeking Jesus.

P: But he is not here!

L: He has risen from the dead, and walked among his followers, giving them hope just one more time.

P: But Jesus' body has left them again.

L: Yes, they can no longer touch the hem of his garment.

P: In the meantime, in between time, God is still on the throne, so we will watch and wait as did the first disciples.

L: Let us wait on the Spirit Power to be revealed within.

TOGETHER: By that power, we can do great things! We will wait on the Spirit Power to invade our hearts and embody our whole being! Amen!

OPENING HYMN # 569

We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations

OPENING INVOCATION: UNISON

Almighty God, Creator and Sustainer of the universe and all therein, we humbly greet you. Your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with, amongst and in us, his church, on earth and that the gates of hell would not prevail against it, even to the end of the age. This is our prayer in the name of your same blessed and ascended Son, Jesus, “The Christ!” Amen.

APPROACHING THE LORD’S TABLE (See Insert)

PRAISE TEAM

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: UNISON

Merciful God we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURES

New Testament:

Revelations 22: 12-, 16-17, 20-21

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

Cong: Thanks be to God

Solo

Jeanne Whiteside

Gospel:

John 17: 20-26

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,

Cong: Thanks be to God

WITNESSING TO THE WORD

Theme: Watching and Waiting- Embodied

**MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**          **Pastor**

**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 trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*UM Hymn # 557**

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

**\*SENDING FORTH IN GOD'S LOVE AND CARE/ CHRSTIMAS BENEDICTION:**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**Thank you for being a part of today's worship experience.**

**Rest assured God loves you, and so do we!**

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### **JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD**

Love and Prayers for June Nettles.

Love and prayers for Laurie Lewis to overcome the depression that's trying to keep her down. Prayers for health and healing mind, body and soul.

Love and Prayers for Pat Held's daughter for health and healing.

Prayers for health and healing for Doris LaBrasca.

Prayers for Rose Pettus for health and healing.

Thoughts and prayers for health and healing for Nancy Drott who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

### **OUR RECORD LAST WEEK**

Worship Attendance	10:00 am – 29
Plate/Pledges	\$1433.00
Missions	\$1.90
UMCOR	\$1.00

### **COMING THIS WEEK**

#### **Today, Sunday, June 2**

9:00 am – FFRANC Breakfast

10:00 am – Morning Worship

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

#### **Monday, June 3**

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

#### **Saturday, June 8**

9:00 am – Controlling Community Violence

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, Job's Daughters, hosts

## **Announcements**

### **LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING FOR JUNE**

will help cover expenses for the **July 4th** food booth. Place your donations in the small brown envelopes in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. Thanks for your continued support of our mission projects and have a blessed summer.

### **FOOD BANK ITEM FOR JUNE**

The item for June is toilet paper. Thank you for helping this great mission! Every small act of kindness goes a long way.

## APPROACHING THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation: Our Lord invites to his table all who love him, and are truly sorry for their sins.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Cong: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**Cong: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Cong: It is right to give thanks and praise to our God.**

Pastor: Let us now prepare our hearts for Christ's compassionate love to flow in us, so that through us the world might experience the transforming power of his redemptive work demonstrated on the cross for our sake.

**Cong: Through repentance and humility, we open our hearts and offer ourselves to the transforming power of Christ's redeeming love.**

Pastor: On the night before his betrayal and trial, Jesus shared one last meal with his disciples. What could he do to empower them to continue his redemptive work when he was gone back to heaven? Jesus loved his followers, and his heart went out to them. He took the bread, said a prayer to heaven, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take, eat, this is my body broken for you!" After a while, Jesus took a cup of grape juice, said a prayer to heaven, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant poured out for you and for many." He instructed them to remember him whenever they eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

**Cong: When we receive Christ's body, we are united with him in his mission. When we receive Christ's blood, we are assured of his forgiven grace that cleanses and sets us free from all guilt and are made right with our God and neighbors.**

Pastor: The table is now ready, you may come and share!

Start thinking about the next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday pot luck

June 30, 2019

Let's get to know where our friends are from!

When your ancestors came to America they brought with them an abundance of recipes. Hopefully, these recipes are now with you.

Bring an appetizer, entre' or dessert that reflects your heritage.



There could be Irish

stew or German



potato salad,



Polish

pierogis or Italian



ice.



Liberian

rice bread

We do ask that you bring a list of ingredients due to any allergies.

You will be able to vote for your favorite dish and  
The proceeds will benefit the Church emergency fund.