FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 15, 2022

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

Arr. Jessie Seymour Irvine

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Brooks Sheldon, Liturgist

Leader:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, and in the heights!

People:

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Leader:

Praise him, Young men and women alike, old and young together!

People:

Let us all praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;

Leader:

God's glory is above earth and heaven.

People:

Praise the Lord!

*HYMN #239

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

Neale/Williams

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ you came from heaven to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin — we hurt and disgrace ourselves; we abuse and destroy one another; we dishonor your holy name. Forgive us; unbind us and let us go so that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace and praising your name in joyful and abundant lives; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

(Time for Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Leader:

Friends, hear and believe the gospel:

All:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: As God in Christ forgives us, let us forgive one another.

The Peace of Christ be with you.

People:

And also with you.

Leader:

Let us share the Peace of Christ.

"How Firm a Foundation"

LITANY OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Each intercession concludes with "O Lord our God, have mercy," and the people reply praying "and wipe away our tears."

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH OFFERINGS AND PRAISE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Air"

Jean-Baptiste de Bousset

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

KID'S CHURCH (5th grade and younger)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING:

Revelation 21:1-6

ANTHEM

"Do Not Be Afraid for You Are Mine"

L. Larson

SECOND READING:

Acts 11:1-18

SERMON

"A Tear-filled Vision of God's New Thing"

Dr. Walker

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(The Apostles' Creed)

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; 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 #319

"Blessed Assurance"

Crosby/Knapp

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Sortie"

Gabriel Pierné

(*) We stand as we are able.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Emily Elizabeth's 7th birthday and also her hard work and determination at school

from Judd, Carrie, Jackson, Wyatt and Anna Claire Lasseter.

Announcements

Sunday, May 15 CHRISTIAN ENRICHMENT MEETING HAS BEEN <u>POSTPONED</u>
Sunday, May 15 at 12:30 p.m. KID'S MINISTRY PARTY AT THE LASSETER HOUSE
Monday, May 16 – May 19 CORNERSTONES RETREAT – EPWORTH BY THE SEA
Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m. PRESCHOOL GRADUATION
Wednesday, May 18 at 5:30 p.m. LAST WATCH SUPPER & YOUTH AUCTION!!
Tuesday, May 24 at 6 p.m. SESSION MEETING
Thursday, May 26 at 5 p.m. CORNERSTONES SUPPER ON THE ROAD
Monday, May 30 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 8-10 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sign up now! Summer WATCH SUPPER is scheduled for June 29th!

REGARDING GRADUATES:

Save your cards for our grads coming up next year.

MFPC does *not* have any 2022 high school graduates.

YOUTH AUCTION THIS WEDNESDAY!!!

Wednesday, May 18th in the fellowship hall 5:30 p.m. Silent Auction at the FINAL WATCH SUPPER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 6:30 p.m. LIVE AUCTION

Proceeds will benefit our youth and their summer & fall enrichment activities

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Special Offering Update

Moultrie First Presbyterian contributed \$1,258 to One Great Hour of Sharing during April.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEACON OF THE MONTH: Patty June

ELDER OF THE MONTH: John Peters

SUMMER YOUTH SCHEDULE

June 4 Fellowship Trip to Jacksonville (10th-12th grade)

June 8 Service at VBS

June 16 at 6 p.m. Dinner and Devotion at Three Crazy Bakers (10th-12th grade)

June 22 at 6 p.m. Fellowship Trip to Thomasville

June 25-26 Summer Youth Lock Out (10th-12th grade)

July 6 at 6 p.m. Fellowship Outing to Moultrie Cinemas

July 10-15 Mission Trip to North Carolina (10th-12th grade)

HELPING HANDS BOX

HOPE HOUSE MOMMY MALL

This quarter the Helping Hands Box in the Fellowship Hall will be collecting baby goods for the new moms to purchase at Hope House with the "Mommy Money" and "Daddy Dollars" they earn in parenting classes, Bible studies, and attending church. Currently the biggest need is for clothes, from newborn to 4T size (some of the children are pretty large by age three at the time their moms finish the classes). Training pants and baby shampoo are also needed. Another need is for volunteers to work with women in online parenting classes. These have recently been started and 20 new moms and dads have signed up.

Please make your reservation for WATCH SUPPER

MENU for MAY 18, 2022

REGULAR/CHLDREN: Spaghetti, Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Greek Salad

DIET: Baked Chicken, Steamed Vegetables, Salad Bar

DESSERTS: Homemade Ice Cream: Butter Pecan, Chocolate, Peach, Strawberry, Vanilla

POUND CAKES: Old Fashioned, Chocolate

Name/Family:			
Permanent Reservation:	This week only:		
How many? Regular	Diet:	Children:	