SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 29, 2022

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

"Toccata in E Minor"

Pachelbel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Elizabeth Strickland, Liturgist

Leader: The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the coastlands be glad!

People: The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold

his glory.

Leader: All worshipers of images are put to shame, those who bow to worthless idols;

People: O LORD, you are most high over all the earth; you are exalted above all

gods.

Leader: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

People: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

*HYMN #248 (see insert) "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna"

Wren/L.V. Beethoven

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Time for Silent Confession) Amen.

*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: In Christ Jesus, God has promised to forgive us and reconcile us

to God and each other. The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: With joy, let us share that peace with one another.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH OFFERINGS AND PRAISE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"O Love that Will Not Let Me Go"

R.J. Hughes

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

NO KID'S CHURCH

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING:

Acts 16:16-34

ANTHEM

"And Then Forever Praise Him"

F. Crosby/B. Harlan

SECOND READING:

John 17:20-26

SERMON

"The Lord's Other Prayer"

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 #240 (see insert)

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

arr. Pulkingham & Fishel

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Jubilate Deo"

E.J. Wetherill

(*) We stand as we are able.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Wyatt's 9th birthday and also his kind heart from Judd, Carrie, Jackson, Emily Elizabeth and Anna Claire Lasseter.

Announcements

Monday, May 30 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Sunday, June 5 MEN'S BREAKFAST-removed from schedule, will not meet again until Aug.

Wednesday, June 8 at 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. <u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u>

Wednesday, June 8 at Noon FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 9 at 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. <u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u>

Friday, June 10 at 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday, June 12 at 8:30 a.m. DEACON'S MEETING

Tuesday, June 14 at 5:30 p.m. MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 16 at 6 p.m. TRANSFORM DINNER & DEVOTION

Saturday, June 18 at Noon YOUNG FAMILY POOL PARTY

Monday, June 20 at Noon CORNERSTONES MEETING

Wednesday, June 22 at 6 p.m. YOUTH FELLOWSHIP TRIP TO THOMASVILLE

Thursday, June 23 at 11 a.m. CORNERSTONES LUNCH ON THE ROAD

Thursday, June 23 at Noon LUNCH FOR ELLENTON CLINIC NURSES

Saturday-Sunday, June 25-26 YOUTH LOCKOUT

Tuesday, June 28 at 6 p.m. SESSION MEETING

Wednesday, June 29 at 5:30 p.m. SUMMER WATCH SUPPER

Thursday, June 30th at 5 p.m. CORNERSTONES TO SEE "AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'"

REGARDING GRADUATES: Save your cards for our grads coming up next year.

MFPC does <u>not</u> have any 2022 high school graduates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEACON OF THE MONTH:

ELDER OF THE MONTH:

May - Patty June June - Beth Cannon

May - John Peters June - Thomas Coleman

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: SIGN UP BY JUNE 1st!!!

VBS will be June 8-10 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Registration is open to all Pre-K3 -5^{th} graders. Heroes Assemble! *Applications are in the office lobby. Sign up now!*

CORNERSTONES: SUMMER SCHEDULE

Monday, June 20th at noon — Cornerstones Meeting
Thursday, June 23rd at 11 a.m. — Lunch on the Road: Covington's in Valdosta
Thursday, June 30th at 5 p.m. - Trip to Valdosta to see "Ain't Misbehavin'"
Thursday, July 14th at 5 p.m. - Trip to Valdosta to see "Sister Act"
Monday, July 18th at noon — Cornerstones Meeting
Thursday, July 28th at 11 a.m. - Lunch on the Road to Thomasville

Card Players will be meeting Wednesdays at 1 pm

FLINT RIVER PRESBYTERY IRELAND TOUR

Sign up now for a trip of a lifetime to Ireland September 17-27. Flint River Presbytery and CIE Tours will sponsor the trip with stops in Dublin, Belfast, Giant's Causeway, Galway, Aran Islands & Dun Aengus, Cliffs of Moher, Ring of Kerry and Blarney Castle. Contact jane@sgatravel.com for more details.

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.