

Declaration of Good News

Response Hymn 238

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

*Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, Scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing,
For the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting.
Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son:
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.*

Passing the Peace of Christ

We greet the Lord by greeting one another in his name.

Hearing the Word

All Sit.

Prayer for Illumination

The Psalter

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The Lord's Benediction

The Lord says, "Look! I'm coming soon. **My reward is with me, to repay all people as their actions deserve.**

I am the alpha and the omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. **Favored are those who wash their robes so that they may have the right of access to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.**

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to bear witness to all of you about these things for the churches. I'm the root and descendant of David, the bright morning star. **The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' Let the one who hears say, 'Come!' And let the one who is thirsty come! Let the one who wishes receive life-giving water as a gift.**"

The one who bears witness to these things says, "Yes, I'm coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all.

Anthem

O Jesus, Every Moment

Phillip W. J. Stopford

Gospel Reading

Jesus' Prayer for the Church

John 17:20-26

Sermon

Surprise for Settled Lives

Matthew Covington

Does meeting the risen Christ change everything? Or anything?

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Jesus' resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that harm human life. To say that Jesus is Lord, is to say something eternally true, but also surprising and new.

Buck in a Basket for June will go to our upcoming Pentecost butterfly release.

We who are lately born meet the risen Christ at his table of blessing.

Affirmation of Faith

(A Declaration of Faith 4.5)

Jesus is our living Lord. Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead. The risen Lord appeared to his followers. They recognized him as their master who had been crucified. Before Jesus left them, he commissioned them to proclaim to all people the good news of his victory over death, and promised to be with them always. We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares his humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord. Amen.

All Sit

Offering

Offertory

Because He Lives William Gaither and Gloria Gaither
Wayne Pope, baritone Beth Pope, piano

All Stand

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Sealing the Word in the Sacrament

All Sit

The Lord's Supper

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

.... Therefore, with those whose voices are tuned for praise eternally to tell the good news of the resurrection, we also lift our voices in glad songs:

Hymn

Sanctus

Joseph Roff

(congregation and choir)

*Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.*

Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

Communion Music

Chorale Prelude on MARTYRDOM

Hubert Parry

As pants the hart for cooling streams, so longs my soul, O God, for thee...

The Prayers of the People

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

Closing Hymn 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

Benediction

Postlude

Bourrée, from English Suite, No. 2

J. S. Bach

WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the Right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by ministers, officers, and congregation.

If you have a fussy baby or are coughing, etc., the worship service may be viewed from the parlor via television (across the hall from the Sanctuary). Loving childcare is available in our children's center

Our church Elders: Karol Ahmed, Mark Bigler, Pam Bratcher, David Coverdale, Mary Evans, Rob Hale, Matt Hunt, Mike Kanan, John Kernohan, Tim Leigh, Nancy Moore, Pamela Napier, David Sears, and David Thomison. **Our church Deacons:** Rider Allen, Sally Calkins, Judy Clark, Rocky Cooper, Shannon Dyche, Ray Elms, Cathey Green, Jean Harris, Linda Leigh, Tom MacMillin, Debbie Morse, David Muffett, Teri Polen, Charlotte Prow, Ken Royse, Susan Thomison, and Debbie Trickey.

Donate Online:

We have recently set up the church website to accept online donations. Just go to the website below and fill out the simple form. Donations can also be made from your smart phone. You can also scan the QR code, right..

<https://bgpresdonate.cloverdonations.com/online-donations/>



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Announcements

USHERS: The Simmons, Humphrey, and Moore families

LAY READER: Kelly Goad

MEDIA PERSONNEL: Barbara Solberg-Hale and Matt Hunt

COMMUNION SERVERS: Karol Ahmed, Georgeanna Capito, Mary Evans, Matt Hunt, Pamela Napier, Sheila and Alan Reeves, Susan and David Thomison

NURSERY ATTENDANTS: Alisia Mosley and Kimberly Watkins

LIBRARIAN: Arnie Petrus, arfranpe@msn.com

CHILDREN'S MUSIC: Ellie Osborne

LECTIONARY FOR NEXT SUNDAY, June 9: Acts 2:1–21 or Genesis 11:1–9; Psalm 104:24–34, 35b; Romans 8:14–17 or Acts 2:1–21; John 14:8–17 [25–27].

DEACON OF THE WEEK this week will be Ken Royse. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS TONIGHT! Today through Wednesday, 5:30-8:00pm at Christ Episcopal Church. We begin with dinner for children and volunteers and then move through worship/singing and our various stations. Next Sunday we will have a special celebration in worship. Please keep the volunteers and children in your prayers this week as we learn to love our neighbors like Jesus commanded.

BUCK IN A BASKET for June will offset the cost of our Butterfly Release. On June 9 we will collect the Pentecost Offering instead of Buck in a Basket.

PENTECOST is next Sunday! And we have a big day planned - our VBS celebration will be during worship. Then we will move to the courtyard to release butterflies. THEN we EAT! Bring a *generous salad or side dish* for our PENTECOST POTLUCK. Dessert provided. Wonderful fellowship all around! (We may have homeless friends join us, so please bring an abundant dish)

PENTECOST OFFERING: Next Sunday we will collect this special offering which benefits children at risk, youth and young adults. One of four special PC(U.S.A.) offerings, we keep 40% to use for children at risk (traditionally this has supported Buckhorn/Uspiritus). Envelopes will be in your bulletin or you may simply mark your check 'Pentecost Offering.'

COMING UP:

3 CENTS A MEAL collection will be Sunday June 30 during worship. Our children and youth will come around with the big cans to collect your coins, bills and checks. Your \$8.10 per person/quarter contribution (all gifts of any size are deeply appreciated) helps to fund our Food Pantry (1/3) and the Presbyterian Hunger Program (2/3).

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Would you like to assist in building? Our next build date is June 8. Time: 7:45 AM to 3 PM / Address: 1123 Regis O'Connor BLVD (GPS: 517 West 12th Avenue and turn left, the house is the first on the left on that street.) If you'd like to volunteer, please contact church office or Susan Thomison (susan.thomison1@gmail.com).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN - please join us for a Birthday Celebration Luncheon, Tuesday, June 11th at 11:30 A.M. at Steamer's Southern Seafood Kitchen - Featuring Rhondell Miller, executive director of HOTEL, INC, speaking on the Birthday Offering Grant. RSVP by June 7th to Cheryl – 270-843-4707.

TWILIGHT CONCERT SERIES: presented by the Southern Kentucky Concert Band. Thursday evenings in June (6, 13, 20, 27) at the WKU Fine Arts Center Amphitheater, 7:00pm. Free and open to the public.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL begins July 7 and we will need your help with morning hospitality. Please consider bringing one or two items for breakfast: sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094aa9ab2ca7f49-breakfast1> Our homeless friends will be joining us and we want to have an abundant table.

Calendar

Sunday, June 2

8:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
5:30 p.m. VBS

Monday, June 3

5:00 p.m. Round Table Pulpit
5:30 p.m. VBS

Tuesday, June 4

11:00 a.m. Special Care
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m. VBS
7:00 p.m. Deacons

Wednesday, June 5

5:30 p.m. VBS
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

OTHER NEWS AND COMMUNITY NEEDS:

VBS MISSION OFFERING is seeking specific items requested by two agencies we are highlighting. HOTEL, INC., need new or gently used children's books. The Humane Society always needs laundry detergent, bleach, hand sanitizer, but also would love canned cat and kitten food, snack size zip loc bags, letter size envelopes, Cat treats, Critter food (hamsters, rabbits, etc), toilet paper, paper towels. This is something **EVERYONE CAN HELP PROVIDE!** You may put your offering in the basket outside the office and we'll dedicate it all on June 9! There's a special insert in the bulletin for more information-please take it with you to remind you of what we need.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS Peanut Butter (18oz size MAX). We also need ready-to-eat canned soup (please, NOT cream soups, and ideally not condensed), saltines, fresh apples and fresh potatoes to give out. Thank you for your continued support that helps ease food insecurity here in our community.