

Morning Worship—May 6, 2018

6th Sunday of Easter

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Gloria from Twelfth Mass"

Mozart/Blake

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come together to worship our loving God

People: Our invisible, unexplainable God, who reveals God's self through love.

Leader: We come to gain an understanding of our relationship with God.

People: To greater understand God, who defines our relationship through love.

Leader: We come to celebrate our Lord, who calls us into a relationship with our Lord, and each other.

People: Who shows us what love is, and calls us to bear fruit in love for others.

Leader: We come to worship God who calls us to enter into His joyful community.

People: Who abides in us, and us in Him.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 263**

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you are love, and have shown us what love is. Through the life, death, and resurrection of your son, we have a visible image of what it means to love. You call us to love each other in the same way. Yet we all too often do not love each other, and do not grasp the depth of love that you have for us. Forgive us, have patience on us, and continue to show us what it means to be in a relationship with you and each other.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #384, stanza #1

O love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Through Jesus Christ, God calls us into a relationship with Himself and each other. He defines this relationship through love. Therefore, accept the love and forgiveness of God given through Jesus Christ. Brothers and sisters believe in the good news of the Gospel

People: In Jesus Christ we are Forgiven! Amen.

GLORIA PATRI (579)

GREATOREX, 1851

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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Joyce Perez

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, help us to put aside our preconceived notions of what our relationship with you is. Open our minds to understand what it means to abide in you. Send your Spirit to illuminate your words, so that each of us may grow in love, and bear more fruit in your name. In the precious name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

ANTHEM

"River In Judea"

arr. Leavitt

GOSPEL LESSON

(764/804)

John 15:9-17

SERMON

"Defining the Relationship"

Rev. Jacob Kave

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles' Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)**

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 527**

"Near to the Heart of God"

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music

"How Majestic Is Your Name"

arr. Jerry Ray

Doxology 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (See pew insert)

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 372**

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE 538, verse 1

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

POSTLUDE

"Finale from "Music for the Royal Fireworks""

arr. Stainton Taylor

*The flowers are given in loving memory of Wanda Perez
and in honor of Pat Argyrakís by the Perez children.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Nelson Clark, Dianne East, Marilyn East, Ed Fisher (Sally Clark’s father), Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Kaiden Sheldon, Tom West

ON THE MEND— William Copeland, Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris’ mother), Tim Kernodle, Mack Williams, Nultie Wiseman

Preaching Schedule

May 13 Jackson Weller
 May 20 Rev. Bob Ramey
 May 27 Rev. Jacob Kave

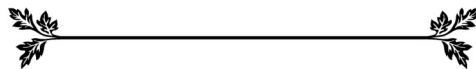
The diaconate will have a Spring/Summer clothing drive May 19th for the lunch ministry. Bring your gently used clothes to the stage in the fellowship hall before Wed. May 16th.

Tickets for our Low Country Boil, which will be Wednesday May 16th will be on sale in the Duglinson-Roberts room & church office until Sunday May 13th (\$8 per person).

Women of the Church Birthday Offering Luncheon will be tomorrow Monday, May 7th at 11:30 a.m.
 There will be no Evening Circle meeting.

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	L. Blount/M. Meadors
Children’s Sunday School	Jones family
	Argyrakis family
Elders at Front Door	R. Beale
Security & Side Door	D. Parris
Visitation	ML Crane
Deacon to Receive Offering	J. Nostrandt
Officers to Count Offering	Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Joyce Perez
Time for Young Disciples	Joyce Perez
Sound System	Fred Baker
Ushers	Team 1
Flower Ministry	Bible Fellowship Class
Asst. Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry May 12th	Westover/F. Baker
Saturday Lunch Attendance 4/28	39



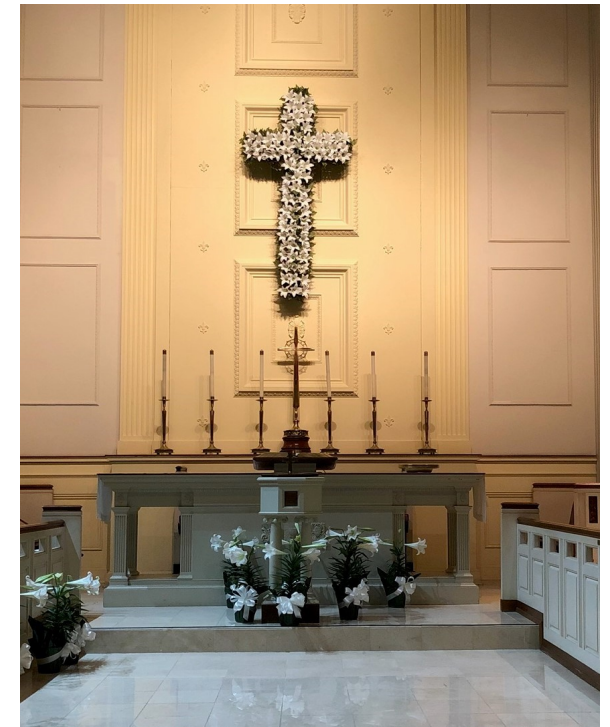
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TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN



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THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
MONDAY, May 7

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 10:00 a.m. P.W. Coordinating Council
 11:30 a.m. PW Birthday Offering Luncheon

TUESDAY, May 8

5:15 p.m. Handbells
 7:00 p.m. Session

WEDNESDAY, May 9

5:30 p.m. Scholarship Comm.
 6:00 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, May 10

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, May 11

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, May 12

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
 11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, May 13

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
 Mid & High School, Rm 112
 Outlook Class, Rm 322
 Bible Fellowship, Library
 Seekers, Rm 109
 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS