

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 17, 2020

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude "Joy in the Morning" *N. Sleeth; arr. J. Raney*
Kay Wildman, Church Organist

Welcome, Announcements, and Recognition

*Easter Greeting:

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Opening "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" *Ellacombe*

*Call to Worship *Praise for God's Goodness*

Praise our God, all peoples,

Let the sound of his praise be heard.

Psalm 66:8 (New International Version)

*Song "Blessed Be Your Name" *Worship Team*

*Invocation Prayer The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter

Alleluia #291 "Alleluia #1" *Alleluia*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

A Reading from the Acts of the Spirit Acts 17:22-31

A Reading from the Apostles 1 Peter 3:13-22

*A Reading from the Gospels John 14:15-21

*Responsorial #34 "Doxology" *Old 100th*

The Prayer of the Congregation and The Lord's Prayer – 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 debts, as we forgive our

debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Invitation to Giving & Offertory

Message "Spirit of Jesus: In, On, For, With, and Against Us"
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

*Confession of Faith: In gentleness and reverence let us make our defense of the hope that is in us.

Christ suffered for sins once for all,
the righteous for the unrighteous,
in order to bring us to God.

He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the Spirit,
In which he went and made a proclamation

To the spirits in prison,

Who in former times did not obey,

When God waited patiently in the days of Noah,

During the building of the ark,

In which eight persons were saved through water.

And baptism now saves us

Through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ,

Who has gone into heaven,

And is at the right hand of God,

With angels, authorities, and powers

Made subject to him.

*Invitation to Faith and Fellowship – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God's forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

*Song #492 "Spirit of the Living God" *Iverson*

*Spoken Benediction The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter

Postlude

“Great God”

arr. P. Manz

Kay Wildman, Church Organist

*Please stand if able

EASTERTIDE SEASON – Eastertide (or the Easter Season) is a 50-day festal season in the Christian church focused on celebrating the Resurrection and the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus Christ to his many disciples. Eastertide begins at sunset on the eve of Easter and ends on Pentecost, the day we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church (Acts 2). The color of the season is white.

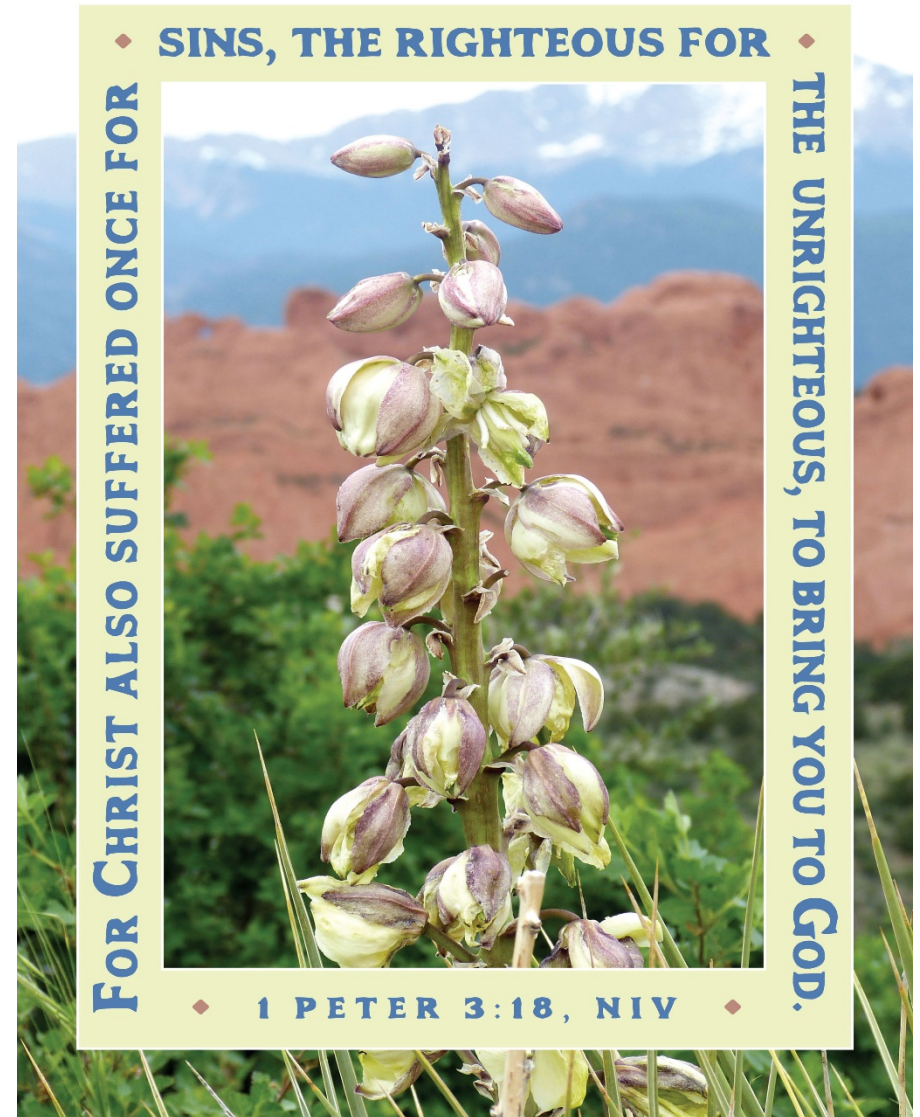
BELIEVER’S BAPTISM – We practice “believer’s baptism” which is the immersion of a person in water – regardless of age – who receives Jesus Christ as his/her personal Savior and publicly professes faith to walk the Jesus way. The Council schedules baptisms on Sunday mornings throughout the year. If you would like to be baptized, then come to the front during the last song or speak with the Minister or one of the Church leaders.

THE LORD’S SUPPER – We celebrate the Lord’s Supper (Holy Communion) on the first Sunday of each month, and on special occasions. All persons of faith, regardless of age, race, or church affiliation, are welcome to partake of the Table of the Lord. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we use only non-alcoholic grape juice. Please cup your hands to receive the sanitary communion wafer and juice sealed in small containers. Please hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast together. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Call Pastor Ivan to receive homebound communion delivery.



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HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

- Verse 1 I sing the almighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command
and all the stars obey.
- Verse 2 I sing the goodness of the Lord
that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his word
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread
or gaze upon the sky!
- Verse 3 There's not a plant or flower below
but makes your glories known;
and clouds arise and tempests blow
by order from your throne;
while all that borrows life from you
is ever in your care,
and everywhere that I may be,
you, God, are present there.

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BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

- Verse 1 Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name
- Verse 2 Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name
- Pre-Chorus Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say
- Chorus Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name
- Verse 3 Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name
- Verse 4 Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name
- Bridge You give and take away

You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

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#291 ALLELUIA NO. 1

Refrain: Alleluia alleluia
Give thanks to the Risen Lord
Alleluia alleluia
Give praise to His Name.

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#34 DOXOLOGY

Chorus 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

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#492 SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Chorus Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me
Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me
Melt me mold me
Fill me use me
Spirit of the Living God
Fall fresh on me

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