

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

MAY 1, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

*Easter Proclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*Gathering Song # 308 "This Joyful Eastertide" VRUSCHTEN

*Call to Worship[†]

I looked and heard the voice of many angels

Surrounding the throne and the hosts of heaven singing,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

To receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

And honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven, and on the earth,

And under the earth, and in the seas, singing,

"To the One seated on the throne and to the Lamb

Be blessing and honor and glory and might

Forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said,

"Amen!"

And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Let us worship Almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

*Opening Prayer

Songs of Faith #310 "Thine Is the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

Proclamation of Faith & Forgiveness[†]

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Don Johnson

The First Reading Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)

The Second Reading Revelations 5:11-14

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ John 21:1-19

*Responsorial CCLI # 7051507 "Resurrecting" Worship Team

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Children's Sermon (Kids 3rd Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

Announcements & Prayers of the Community

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations - A collection plate is available in the front of the Sanctuary, ushers will collect the offering, or you can give it online.

Offertory Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist

Prayer, and The Message "Changed: A Pest to an Apostle Paul"

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Lord's Table, Words of Institution, 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, the power, and the glory forever.

Communion Song #CCLI 5003372 "Behold the Lamb" Worship Team

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Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper

Breaking of Bread
Passing of the Cup

*The Body of Christ; The Bread of Heaven
The Blood of Christ; The Cup of Salvation*

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***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.

***Closing Hymn #BH 559** **“More Love to Thee O Christ”** *WILLIAM H. DOANE*

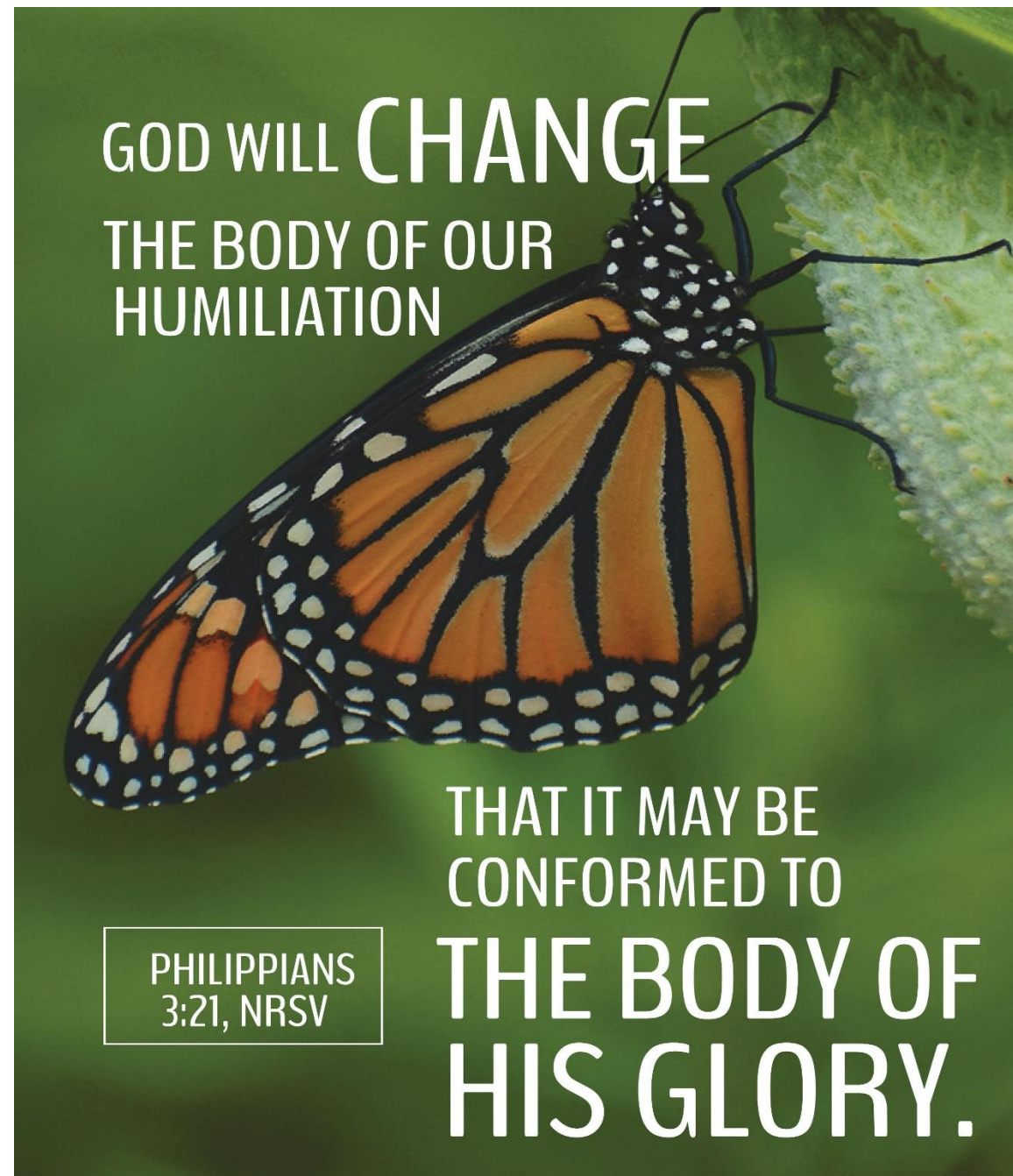
***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude** **Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist**
**Stand when able*

AGAPE FELLOWSHIP BENEVOLENCE FUND – On the first Sunday of the month, the church receives an offering for our neighbors and families in need. You are invited to donate funds in the basket at the front of the Sanctuary as you leave worship today. The funds help our members and neighbors with basic needs, such as food, utilities, medical/pharmaceutical, rent, and other emergencies. See the Church Office or Pastor to apply for assistance.

HOLY COMMUNION - We practice *open communion*. All persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ – regardless of age, baptism, membership, or denominational affiliation - are invited to partake of this sacred memorial meal. Servers will distribute each element in kind (bread and then juice). Please hold each gift until everyone is served, then we will feast together. In solidarity with and support of our sisters and brothers seeking freedom from addictions, we serve only non-alcoholic grape juice.

[†]Adapted from Timothy Matthew Slemmons, “The Joyful Feast: Liturgical Elements for Reformed Worship, Year C.” © 2014. Cascade Books, Eugene, OR. Used with permission. All rights reserved.



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