

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

MAY 22, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude

Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name

Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Easter Proclamation**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

***Gathering Song**

"In Christ Alone"

Worship Team

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***Call to Worship†**

May your way me be known upon earth, O God,

Your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

For you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

***Opening Prayer**

Songs of Faith # 311

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

NOEL NOUVELET

Proclamation of Faith & Forgiveness†

Alleluia # 313

"O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!"

O FILII ET FILIAE

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Don Johnson

The First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

The Second Reading

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**

John 14:23-29

***Responsorial # 44**

"Doxology"

OLD 100TH

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

Announcements & Prayers of the Community – 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.

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 online.

Offertory

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Prayer, and The Message

"CHANGED: The Great Missionary Expansion"

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship**

***Closing Hymn # 562**

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

MESSAGE

***Spoken Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Postlude**

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**Stand when able*

MISSIO DEI "The Mission of God" – Does the church participate in Mission or Missions? It's more than a philosophical debate; it impacts the work of Christ's church! Christians believe there is one mission: God's Mission (*Missio Dei*). God is already doing mission work in Jesus Christ which the church joins. There is one purpose and goal: to work with and for God's mission to the world.

HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).
5. **HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD** – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and covenant of this may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.

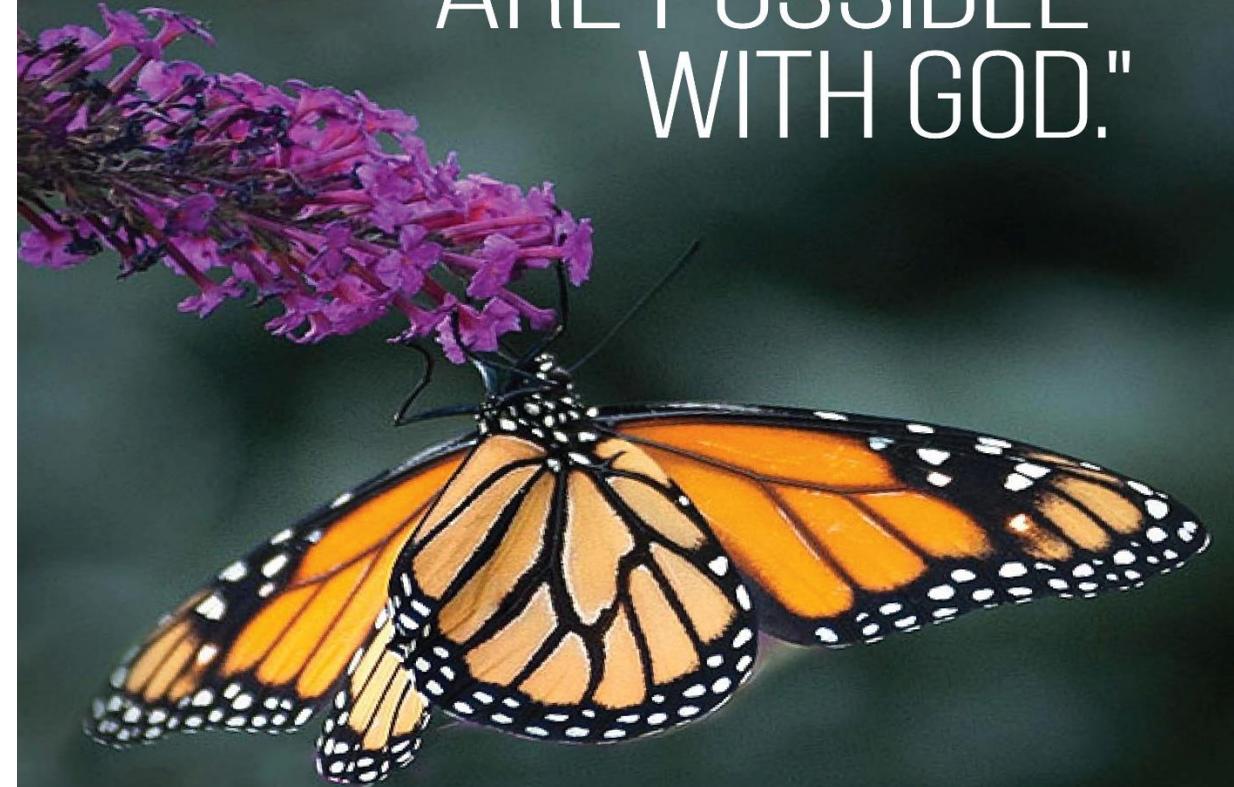


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MARK
10:27,
NIV

"WITH MAN THIS
IS IMPOSSIBLE,
BUT NOT WITH GOD;
ALL THINGS
ARE POSSIBLE
WITH GOD."



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