

Continued steady, steadfast, sustained prayers for:

Vivian, Blanche Sell, Vivian Beers, Joe & Doris Cashell, Jean Dudas, Charlotte Hostetler, Darlene McElheny, Luanne Keener, Stella, Jay Hill, Lloyd & Carol Bastin, Don Diller, Al Lacanic, Lee Ann & Walt, Richard Finnegan, Claire Jones, Larry & Janet Means, Kris Sypulski, Joelene Hess, Frank Raypush, Brena Callithen
Anonymous person suffering addiction, Charlene Kreuer,
Paul Wisda, Dennis Speck, Karen K., Ariel, The Callithen Family

Card Care Connection

Anyone interested in making greeting cards to send to cancer patients is invited to join us on Tuesday, May 24 @10:30am in the Conference Room.

Inviting All Veterans and their families

to join us for a free dinner on Tuesday, June 14 (Flag Day) from 4-6pm
In Heide Hall.

Vacation Bible School

June 20-24 6:00pm-8:15pm

Ages 3-completion of 5th grade
Registration forms are located at the Kiosk

VBS donations needed:

Empty paper towel and bath tissue rolls
Empty water bottles 16.9 oz
Please place your items in the box marked
VBS Donations in the Narthex.

Assisting in Today's Service:

Lector: Brena Callithen

Ushers: Amy Penn, Fidel Velez, Kendra & Zoe Smith
Communion Assistants: Monie Diller, Sue Marcinko
Tellers: Amy Penn, Fidel Velez, Terry & Pat Braden



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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

On the sabbath, Paul and his companions worshiped with Lydia and the other women (Acts 16:13-14). May God open our hearts today as he did theirs.

* Indicates when to stand

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND TIME OF SHARING

*ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

P. Make us to know your ways, O Lord, and teach us your paths.

Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation; for whom we wait. *(Psalm 25:4-5)*

C. Amen.

P. If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; but if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin. *(1 John 1:6-7)*

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P. Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love.

C. **According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen.**

(Psalm 51:1-2, 10-12)

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

*GATHERING SONG: *"This is My Father's World"*

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Chorus: sing twice

Open the eyes of my heart Lord,

Open the Eyes of my heart.

I want to see you. I want to see You.

Bridge

To see you high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love.

As we sing "Holy, holy, holy"

Sing chorus twice

Sing bridge Twice

Sing twice

Holy, holy, holy, You are holy, holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

Sing chorus twice

CCLI song # 2298355

Joyful, Joyful

Joyful, joyful we adore thee God of glory, Lord of love,
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee opening to the sun above.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living ocean depth of happy rest.

Mortals join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life.

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love.

This Is My Father's World

This is my Father's world
And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and 'round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;
The birds their carols raise;
The morning light the lily white,
Declares the maker's praise.
This is my Father's world;
He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass
I hear him pass;
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world
Oh, let me not forget
That though the wrong
Seems oft so strong
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world.
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring;
God reigns, let the earth be glad!

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***THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 16:9-15

THE PSALM: Psalm 67

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

***GOSPEL INTRODUCTION**

P. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life,
C. **And we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.**
(John 6:68-69)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE SERMON

THE SONG: *"Open the Eyes of My Heart"*

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition will conclude with "Lord, in Your mercy,"
Please respond with "hear our prayer."*

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P. The peace of the Lord be with you.
C. **And also with you.**

THE OFFERING

***THE OFFERING PRAYER**

A. Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

C. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. *(1 Chronicles 29:10-11)*

A. Who am I, and what is this people, that we should be able to bring you an offering.

C. For all things come from you, and from what is your own we have given you. *(1 Chronicles 29:14)*

***PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION**

P. The Lord be with you. *(2 Thessalonians 3:16)*

C. And also with you. *(2 Corinthians 13:13)*

P. Lift up your hearts. *(Lamentations 3:41)*

C. We lift them to the Lord. *(Psalm 25:1)*

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *(Psalm 107: 8)*

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise. *(2 Thess. 1:3)*

***THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

***THE LORD’S PRAYER**

***THE LAMB OF GOD**

P. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. *(John 1:29)*

C. Have mercy on us. *(Psalm 123:3)*

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P. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. *(John 1:29)*

C. Grant us your peace. *(Psalm 123:3)*

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

BLESSING AND RESPONSE

A. May the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. *(1 Thessalonians 5:23)*

C. Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for the glory of your people Israel. *(Luke 2:29-32)*

THE BENEDICTION

P. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

THE SENDING SONG: “Joyful, Joyful”

THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.



Communion: At the Lord's Table we gather to eat and drink the salvation that God has given us in Jesus Christ. All *baptized* Christians who trust in Jesus’ work on their behalf and believe in his presence at the table, are welcome to partake

Welcome to all visitors! We are so glad you joined us today. Please stop by our Welcome Center at the kiosk as you leave worship.