

Coming up!



- May 7 \*9:30 am Traditional Worship  
\*9:30 am Youth Group, grades 6—12, Youth Rm  
\*10:30 am KIDS SING, Rm 200, last rehearsal until June  
KIDS SING will take a break until June 18, resuming for VBS music  
\*11:00 am Contemporary worship  
\*11:00 am Adult Bible Study, John Munday, facilitator, Rm 240  
9 10:00 am Prayer Shawl ministry, Rm 260  
\*6:30 pm Harmonious Flutes, Choir Suite  
7:00 pm P.E.O. Sisterhood, Rm 230  
\*7:00 pm Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary, Final Rehearsal for the Spring/Summer  
10 \*7:00 pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary  
11 \*7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
14 Mother's Day  
\*9:30 am Traditional Worship  
\*9:30 am Youth Group, grades 6—12, Youth Rm  
\*11:00 am Contemporary worship  
\*11:00 am Adult Bible Study, John Munday, facilitator, Rm 240  
17 Senior Saints' trip to Berkley Plantation, Bus leaves at 8:00 am  
19 Senior Saints' luncheon, 12:00 pm in the Youth Room  
24 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Live dinner, Fellowship Hall  
6:15 pm K.I.C.K (Kids in Christ's Kingdom)  
6:15 pm Interim Work with Pastor Lou, Sanctuary

\*Denotes weekly meetings unless otherwise listed.

**SENIOR SINGERS!** Join the fun and fellowship beginning June 14 at 6:00 pm—6:45 pm as we prepare for Senior Sunday on July 9. Easy music, lots of joy as we sing to praise the Lord. We give FREE TUNEUPS! Register online or just let Billye know, [music@gbpres.org](mailto:music@gbpres.org)

Giving is a natural overflow of a heart that is grateful for Jesus, who gave everything for us. A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at [www.gbpres.org](http://www.gbpres.org). You may also give securely by texting, (833)-965-0647, or by scanning the QR code:



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Thank you for joining us for worship today.

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"Sharing Christ's love, equipping God's people" Founded in 1964



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May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter



9:30 am Worship  
5th Sunday of Easter  
Welcome! We are glad you are here!

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit as you are able.*

**Prelude** Assurance John Ness Beck, arr. Janet Linker

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Hymn of Praise** No. 645 Sing, Praise to God Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART

**Call to Confession** Lin Peters, liturgist

Jesus taught us mercy by praying for the forgiveness of those who killed him. This miraculous grace assures us that no matter what we have done, no matter the words we have said or left unsaid, we can come to Christ with our honest confession, first in silent prayer.

**Prayer of Confession**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Beloved, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Jesus prepares a place for us, brings us close to him, and answers us, even in our unbelief.

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

**Response** No. 614 Great Are You, Lord Michael W. Smith  
*Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just by your power we trust in your love.*  
*Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.*  
*Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.*  
*Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:*  
*Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!*

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Passing the Peace**

*(When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity. When we pass the peace, we practice God's shalom.)*

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer** (using debts and debtors)

**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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*Offertory** Sinfonia J. S. Bach

**\*Doxology** No. 606 OLD HUNDREDTH

**\*Prayer of Dedication** (Congregation will be seated following the prayer.)

**Scripture** I Peter 2:2-10, NT, pg. 233 Lin Peters, liturgist

**Anthem** "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" No. 394 arr. David M. Cherwien  
*The congregation will sing verse 4 with the choir.*

*Laud and honor to the Father. Laud and honor to the Son.*  
*Laud and honor to the Spirit. Ever three and ever one;*  
*One in might and one in glory While unending ages run!*

**Sermon** "Dwelling" Rev. Dr. Lou Ventura

**Scripture** John 14:1-14, NT, pgs. 108-109

**Song of Preparation** No. 508 Come to the Table COME TO THE TABLE

**The Apostles' Creed** Glory to God hymnal, pg 35

**Sacrament of Holy Communion, Words of Institution, and Invitation**

*The congregation will take the elements together led by the pastor.*  
*Please come forward to receive communion elements. Ushers will serve those*  
*who prefer to remain seated. Gluten free options are available.*

**\*Hymn of Sending Forth** No. 307 God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

**Charge and Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response** "This Little Light of Mine" V1,2 Trad. Spiritual  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3 X's) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine (3X's) Let it shine, let is shine, let it shine.

**Postlude** Postlude on God of Grace arr. Anna Laura Page