

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(traditional)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, you have done great things for us, and holy is your name. You have conquered death and raised Jesus from the grave. Bless all that we offer you – our selves, our time, and our possessions – that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. AMEN

SENDING

HYMN – “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”

**Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!**
(Refrain)

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise:
Give God the glory! Alleluia!**

**Weeping, be gone; sorry be silent;
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: “O grace, he open!”
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.**
(Repeat refrain)

**City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels,
sing with creation to God the I AM!**
(Repeat refrain)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE – “Celtic Alleluia”
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE – *Voluntary* – Stanley



SERVING TODAY:

Worship Assistant: Rev. Bill Beck
Reader: David Killian
Vocalist: Deb Ryerson
Ushers: Fred Seltzer; Charlie Thompson; Richard & Nancy Tritt
Camera: Joe Shane
Recorder: Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, IN OUR PRAYERS:

- * the church at work: *Presbyteries of:* New Harmony; Foothills; Northern Waters; Northern New England; St. Augustine; and Sri Lanka
- * the church in Carlisle Presbytery: Mt. Olivet (Hancock, MD); seeking a pastor
- * the community: St. John's Episcopal Church (on-the-square)
- * the congregation (at random): Deb Ryerson; Jean Kretzing; Tracy, Drew, Nate & Abby Easteadt

THIS WEEK, IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:

- Monday, 7 PM: Deacons
- Wednesday, 7 PM: Bible Study (via Zoom)

NEXT SUNDAY....6th Sunday of Easter.....May 9th (Blanket Sunday)



Members of the Congregation, Ministers
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor
The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus
Debby Madden, Educator Emerita
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May 2, 2021

10:45 a.m.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

(BOLD indicates Read Together)

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Lovely Is the Dayspring – Simone
The Russian Easter – Rimsky-Korsakov

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
(Minute for Mission – Blanket Sunday)

Larghetto – Gawthrop

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Beloved, let us love one another.
We love because God first loved us.

HYMN – “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

**Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of love; Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye At mysteries so bright.**

**Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer
and praise:
His reign shall know no end; And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail Throughout eternity.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue
in the ways of death. You offer us your forgiveness,
yet we refuse to forgive others. You show us signs of
resurrection, yet still we fail to believe. Forgive us,
God of grace. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and send us
out in mission to proclaim your reconciling love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**
(silent confession....)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO PARDON – “Gloria Patri”

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. AMEN, AMEN.**

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen
Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may
proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON – Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a
delight. ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of
distress. ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few
days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards
and eat their fruit. ²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they
shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the
days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of
their hands. ²³ They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for
calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their
descendants as well. ²⁴ Before they call I will answer, while they are
yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be
dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain,
says the LORD.

(The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God!**)

SECOND LESSON – I Corinthians 15:20-28

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of
those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human
being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human
being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in
Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his
coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he
hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed
every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until
he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be
destroyed is death. ²⁷ For “God^l has put all things in subjection under
his feet.” But when it says, “All things are put in subjection,” it is plain
that this does not include the one who put all things in subjection
under him. ²⁸ When all things are subjected to him, then the Son
himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in
subjection under him, so that God may be all in all.

(The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God!**)

SERMON – Rev. Anthony Lorenz

HYMN – “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

**Jesus shall reign where-e’er the sun
does its successive journeys run,
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons wax and wane no more.**

**To Him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown His head;
His name, like sweet perfume,
shall rise With every morning sacrifice.**

**People and realms of every tongue
dwell on His love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on His name.**

**Blessings abound wher-e’er He reigns;
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.**

**Let every creature rise and bring
honors peculiar to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen!**