



Community Presbyterian Church

Fifth Sunday of Eastertide
18 May 2025

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) Alleluia, Christ is risen!

(All) The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

(One) Glory to you, O God, on this day you won victory over death, raising Christ Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life in Him.

(All) Glory to you, O Christ, for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life.

(One) Glory to you, O Holy Spirit, you lead us into the truth. Guide our worship today.

(All) Let us now worship God with the joyful "Alleluias" of praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 148

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

(All) Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host! Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

(One) Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

(All) He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

(One) Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

**(All) Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying
birds!**

(One) Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all
rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and
young together!

**(All) Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name
alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.**

(One) He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all
his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the LORD!

***Hymn (544)**

To God Be the Glory

(1) To God be the glory, great things he hath done;
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

(2) O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

(3) Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath
done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you
shattered the power of sin and reversed the curse of death.

We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by ways that lead to death. Forgive us, God of
abundant mercy. Help us to trust in Your Spirit as we are
formed in the likeness of Christ. Restore us and make us
new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in
Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

Gospel Reading

John 13:31-35

Sermon

***Hymn (595)**

They'll Know We Are Christians

(1) We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

(2) We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

(3) We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.

(4) All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;

And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son;
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

***Doxology** (*A Capella*)

***Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God.

11:2

So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him,

11:3

saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?"

11:4

Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying,

11:5

"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me.

11:6

As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air.

11:7

I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.'

11:8

But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

11:9

But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.'

11:10

This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

11:11

At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were.

11:12

The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house.

11:13

He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter;

11:14

he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.'

11:15

And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning.

11:16

And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

11:17

If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?"

11:18

When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

21:2

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

21:3

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God;

21:4

he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

21:5

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."

21:6

Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

13:32

If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

13:33

Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.'

13:34

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

13:35

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you
have love for one another."