

MAY 22, 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

**“Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give to you.
I do not give to you
as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts
be troubled, and do not
let them be afraid.”
– John 14:27**

WELCOME

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today!

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OPENING WORSHIP SONG

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORSHIP SONG

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

READING OF THE WORD

ACTS 16:9-15

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis.

¹² From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

¹³ On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴ One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul’s message.

¹⁵ When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. “If you consider me a believer in the Lord,” she said, “come and stay at my house.” And she persuaded us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

A LOVING COMMUNITY, INSPIRING OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP AND SERVICE TO FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST

PSALM 67

- ¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- ² Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.
- ³ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
**for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.**
- ⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
- ⁶ The earth has brought forth her increase;
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- ⁷ May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

REVELATION 21:10, 22:1-5

¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL SONG

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JOHN 14:23-29

²³ Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Everett Walk

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is
worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations
of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Accept, O Lord, my thanks and praise for all that you
have done for me. I thank you for splendor of the whole
creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life,
and for the mystery of love.**

I thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for
the loving care which surrounds me on every side.

I thank you for setting me at tasks which demand my best
efforts, and for leading me to accomplishments which
satisfy and delight me.

I thank you also for those disappointments and failures that
lead me to acknowledge my dependence on you alone.

Above all, I thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the
truth of his Word and the examples of his life; for his
steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation: for
his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his
rising to life again, in which I am raised to the life of your
kingdom.

Grant me the gift of your Spirit, that I may know Christ and
make him known; and through him, at all times and in all
places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

**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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. Amen.

SHARING PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION SONGS

CLOSING PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members of
 your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of
 heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMISSION OF LAY EUCHARIST VISITATION

BLESSING

CLOSING WORSHIP SONG

DISMISSAL

Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.
 Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE WEEK AHEAD

MAY 22-28

SUN	22	Holy Eucharist 10:00 am In Person & Online Coffee Hour 11:45 am Fulton Hall
WED	25	Morning Prayer 10:00 am In Person & Online
THU	26	Garden Team 9:00 am Reunion Group – Cursillo 5:30 pm Zoom Video Call
FRI	27	Group Prayer 10:00 am Conference Call

SUNDAY

COFFEE HOUR

**JOIN US FOR
A TIME OF
FELLOWSHIP
AT 11:45 AM IN
FULTON HALL**





Thank You

To all the helpers and contributors who made our Rummage Sale a huge success! We couldn't have done it without your help and support.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Garden Team
Thursdays at 9:00 am
 Join us as we tend to the landscaping needs of the church. Contact Sandy Kreidler at 365-4246 if you are available to help.



Reunion Group – Cursillo
Thursdays at 5:30 pm, Zoom Video Call
 This group offers personal time for prayer and sharing of life's joys and sorrows, as well as accountability to Christ's call for study, piety and action. Contact Sally Allen for details at 413-822-1160.



Group Prayer
Fridays at 10:00 am, Conference Call
PLEASE NOTE NEW NUMBER & CODE
Dial 717-908-1923, Code 974309#
 Join us as we pray for Ukraine, our country, and social issues of the day. Contact Joanne Bradshaw at 941-408-4856 for details.

HOW ARE WE DOING FINANCIALLY?

	April 2022	Year-to-Date / Jan-Apr
Income:	\$ 20,482	\$ 70,780
Expenses:	\$ 15,177	\$ 69,680
Difference:	\$ +5,305	\$ +1,100

WAYS TO GIVE:
 In Person • Online Via CHS Website • Mail

