

Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 25, 2021 The 4th Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Rev. Sandra Hedrick

Opening Song Glory to God Hymnal #475

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Call to Worship (from Ps. 24:1, 34:3)

One: The world belongs to God, All: the earth and all of its people. One: O praise the Lord with me, All: let us exalt God's name together! All: Let us worship God!

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

One: Confession is part of the life of every believer. It helps us to be more self-aware. It draws us closer to God to and one another. It can even bring us healing! Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin and receive the assurance of God's grace.

"Come Thou Font of Every Blessing"

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Worship Leader

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Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, our Healer, you urge us to tell the truth about our lives. The truth is that we get tired. We doubt. We wander and we stray. We hurt the ones we love the most. We hurt ourselves.

We are not always brave. We are not always hopeful. We often make mistakes.

Even so, you love us. You offer your mercy. So we place our hand in yours. We ask for your forgiveness and healing. We surrender our lives to your leading.

One: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

We Are Forgiven! (from John 1:29, 1 Pet. 3:18)

One: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. He died once for all, so that we might live. Believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thank you Lord! Amen!

Word

John 21:1-14

A Time for Children

Scripture Reading

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Message

"Ordinary Miracles"

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Affirmation of Faith

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

Apostles' Creed

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 and Offering

Prayers of the People/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 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.

Sending

Closing Song

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust in Jesus' name. (Repeat verse)

Refrain:

Christ alone, Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Savior's love. Through the storm, he is Lord, Lord of all. "Cornerstone"

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil, my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

Lord of all. Lord of all. Refrain

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found. Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless stand before the throne. R*efrain*

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One: Christ is alive, and has met us here. All: Let us go out with joy, to love and serve.

One: And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

All: Alleluia! Amen!

Charge and Blessing

Announcements

Pastor Sandra's Last Sunday and Celebrating our Graduates - On Sunday, May 2nd, we will be celebrating Pastor Sandra's last service before her retirement and our five graduating seniors: Katelyn, Kylie, Paige, Lizzy and Colin. The theme for the celebration after the service is Cinco de Mayo, and we will be serving enchiladas and a taco bar. The congregation and our preschool teachers and families are encouraged to attend and celebrate with us! Depending on weather, eating outside will be an option. We are still looking for contributions for the meal. You can either sign up on the sheet at the church or text/call Deborah Ruth at 904.601.8085. Put the date on your calendar, and party with us!

Wednesday Night Bible Study at 6:00 p.m. - All are invited to Bible study on Wednesday night, which will be our last study with Pastor Sandra. We will spend about 30 minutes reflecting on John 21:15-25 and then close our time together with sharing and prayer. An email will be sent Wednesday morning with the zoom link.

Report of the Pastor Selection Committee - The committee presented a candidate to the session last Sunday, and after a thorough discussion, the candidate was approved. The presbytery has also given its approval. We will share a name and more information as soon as the pastor has shared the news with the congregation that the pastor presently serves. The committee is thankful for the leading of the Holy Spirit and the encouragement of your prayers as we say goodbye (with gratitude) to Pastor Sandra and welcome our new pastor to the church on June 1.

Presbyterian Women to Meet on May 3 - The next meeting of the Presbyterian Women of Kirkwood will be held on Monday, May 3, in the church kitchen at 7:00 p.m. A light dinner will be served at 6:30.

Presbyterian Women Annual Yard Sale June 12 - Just a reminder to clean out those closets for our PW Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, June 12!

Financial Giving – In the spirit of the first believers, we are called to share our goods in common with glad and generous hearts (Acts 2:44-46). You may place your offering (and pledge card) in the offering plate at the back of the church, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed <u>here</u>.

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