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Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 15, 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

“At The Cross (Love Ran Red)”

***Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Praise the name of the eternal one,

People: for God’s name alone is exalted.

Gathering Prayer

Don Kent

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: God of hope, you promise to make all things new, to make a new heaven and a new earth. You have been patient with us and our stubborn humanity. Forgive our unwillingness to be changed to be open to others, to open our doors to those different than ourselves. We are sorry for the petty quarrels that spoil the ways a church can be a warm and loving family. Continue your patience with us until we are mature in your love and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! We are not only baptized with water but with the Holy Spirit.

People: God has given us the same gift that he gave the apostles when they believed in the Lord Jesus.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen!

Word

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

New Testament Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Don Kent

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “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. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. 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. 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; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. 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.’ 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?” 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.”

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 13:31-35

Dr. Yvan Kelly

When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. 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.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

“Us and Them”

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Second Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #268

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Baptism of Evelyn Davis

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

**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 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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Sovereign God, with all your works and with all your saints, we give thanks to you and bless your name. Use your church in the power of the Spirit to do more great things for the renewal of your world and all humanity, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #331

“God the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

Tuesday Night Bible Study - Bible study this week will be held on Tuesday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m., at the home of Larry and Leah Hadrava, 2719 Cold Creek Blvd, 32221.

Baptism of Evelyn Grace Davis - Today we are baptizing Evelyn Grace Davis, infant daughter of Brandon and Cassandra Davis.

Joint Meeting of the Preschool Board and Session - Today following worship, there will be a joint meeting of the Preschool Board and the Session.

Guest Preacher May 22 - Next Sunday, May 22, we welcome Rev. Sandra Hedrick as our guest preacher. Pastor Sandra is a former pastor of Kirkwood and is currently the stated clerk of the Presbytery of St. Augustine.

Last Sunday of the Month Potluck May 29 - On Sunday, May 29, we will hold the first last Sunday of the month potluck after worship. There is no theme for this month's potluck, so just bring your favorite dish to share.

Pentecost Offering - Your gift to the Pentecost Offering supports ministries with children, youth and young adults. Further information can be found in the newsletter and [here](#) at the PCUSA website. Envelopes for Pentecost Offering can be found in the friendship pads. Please make sure to write "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line of your check and use the special envelopes.

Mark Your Calendars! Vacation Bible School - This summer, Vacation Bible School will be held on June 22 - 24 (Wednesday - Friday) from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. for preschool and grade school aged children. Stay tuned for more information.

Supplies Needed - We need empty wrapping paper tubes. We need to store and organize our narrow banners and the empty wrapping paper tubes work perfectly. If you have any empty tubes, you can leave them in the church office.

Prayer Chain - If you would like to pray for others, please contact the church office at home@kirkwoodchurch.org and ask Suzi to put your name on the Prayer Chain List. Should you have a prayer request, please send it to home@kirkwoodchurch.org.

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#).

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