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All members of the congregation



The Celebration of Worship Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.
Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.



All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.
Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.

We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations. To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord, and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

Psalm 22:25-31

PRELUDE

Morning Has Broken
Paula Legge, organ

Lani Smith

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

ALLELUIA NO. 1

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Christian Johnson

*RESPONSE

Cares Chorus

Kelly Willard

I cast all my cares up - on You.
I lay all of my bur - dens down at Your feet,
and an - y time that I don't know what to do,
I will cast all my cares up - on You.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

GINNA TAYLOR

Leader: God, You have baptized us with the Holy Spirit and filled us with Your power, but we are afraid to use it.

All: You have told us we can do great things in Your name, but we are shy about speaking for You, even among our friends.

Leader: You have given us eyes to see problems and minds to solve them,

All: but we look away and say, "That's too big for me to figure out!"

Leader: Forgive us for ignoring the power You promise us, and for not trusting Your power.

All: Forgive us for all we have failed to do.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Gideons International

Blair Hills

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Mary Odin

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Ginna Taylor

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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Christian Johnson

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.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

God So Loved the World

John Stainer

*Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Christian Johnson

Lord Jesus, we receive abundance from Your hand, and we present a portion of that abundance for Your worship. Be present among us as we share with others, that all Your people may be provided for, and Your blessing may be revealed to everyone. We pray in Your holy name. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM

The Lord's My Shepherd

arr. J. Ferguson

The Lord's my shepherd. I'll not want. He makes me down to lie in pastures green. He leadeth me the quiet waters by. My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness e'en for His own name's sake. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill. For thou art with me and thy rod and staff me comfort still. My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes. My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

The Geneva Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Genesis 27:2-4, 21-40; Pew Bible, OT, p. 23	Christian Johnson
EPISTLE LESSON	1 John 4:7-21; Pew Bible, NT, p. 241	
GOSPEL LESSON	John 1:12-13; Pew Bible, NT, p. 91	Bill McCoy
SERMON	CHRISTIAN PARENTING: Relationships	Bill McCoy
*CONCLUDING HYMN 370	This Is My Father's World	TERRA BEATA
*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENECTION		Bill McCoy
*HYMN OF PARTING	The Day of Resurrection!	HYMN 233 v. 3
<i>Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin, The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend, For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end!</i>		
*POSTLUDE	The King of Glory Paula Legge, organ	Dorothy Wells

We gather to worship,
We scatter to serve,
In the relentless love of Christ.

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In worship leadership last Sunday: We thank Ian Carpenter for chiming the Trinity and Raegan Elmore and James Odin for serving as acolytes during worship April 29.

Restrooms and water fountains are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please accompany children.

Childcare: Nursery and Rooms 112 and 114

Elder visitation: Bill Mullett, Courtney Persinger, Dave Pitchford

The flowers in the sanctuary today remind us that a contribution has been given to the Hunger Fund for the glory of God by the Ceperley and Hopper families in honor of Florian Ceperley who is celebrating his 101st birthday.

Greeters today: Amberlee Elmore, Raegan Elmore, Barb Gessner, Marty Martin

We are thankful for the generous gifts given to the preschool playground renovation project.

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