

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you? And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

~ Matthew 25:31-46



Celebrating a

THIS WEEK

May 19 Katja Stevens
 May 20 Anne George
 May 20 Connor Way
 May 24 Derick Vernyuy
 May 25 Toni Silliman
 May 25 John Pike

 **IN NEED OF PRAYER**

Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, JoAnne Stirling, Dr. Robert B. Brown, Archie Fleming, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office, 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

Mission Statement

Seeking God's help, we will pursue growth and renewal as a united Christian body. We will nurture people within our church and provide Christian leadership and care throughout our community.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19, 2019

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love (hymn 429)
 Be Thou My Vision (hymn 562)
 And Can it Be? (hymn 347)

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist
 Wilbur Held
 Dale Wood
 Thomas Campbell

GREETING

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
 Carl Bingle, organ

Welsh, arr. Wilbur Held

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
People: the world and those who live in it.
 Let the floods clap their hands,
let the hills sing together for joy.
 For the Lord is coming to judge the earth,
with righteousness and equity. Praise the Lord!

***HYMN #562**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All-knowing God, you are aware of our comfort-seeking weakness. We ignore strangers in need as if they were no concern of ours. We resist programs that might threaten our privileges. We do only enough good to keep us from feeling guilty. We give grudgingly of our time and resources, instead of overflowing with thanksgiving and joyous sharing. We treat the church as our possession rather than letting Christ rule as head of the body. O God, we pray we have not wandered beyond your reach. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

... in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ you are also forgiven.

*RESPONSE - Glory Be to the Father - Hymn #813

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.

LITURGIST WELCOME

Mental Health Awareness Month - Melissa Elmer

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 98:7-9 (Old Testament, page 552 in pew Bibles)

ANTHEM

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Harry Rowe Shelley

Chancel Choir; Sara Gleason, director; Phyllis Elmer, piano; Carl Bingle, organ

CHILDREN'S TIME

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service. As children depart for Sunday School, we sing "Jesus Loves Me" Hymn #185, verse 1)

*HYMN #563

Open My Eyes That I May See

SCOTT

SECOND READING

Matthew 25:31-46 (New Testament, page 29 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

"Really Seeing!"

Rev. Leonard Sponaugle

COMMISSIONING OF MELT MEMBERS TRAVELLING TO MALAWI

Patricia Constable, Peyton Hnyla, Heather White

ELDERS' PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY SOLO

Heaven Has Visited the Earth

Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

"Le ciel a visité la Terre, Mon bien-aimé repose en moi.

Du saint amour c'est le mystère! Ô mon âme, adore et tais-toi!"

("Heaven has visited the earth, my beloved reposes in me.

The mystery of holy love! O my soul, worship and be still!")

Clancy Cox, soloist; Phyllis Elmer, piano; Carl Bingle, organ

*DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #815

*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 THANKSGIVING

SENDING

*HYMN #589

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM LORD

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

Grand Choeur

Carl Bingle, organ

Théodore Salomé (1834-96)