

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2020, 11:00 A.M.**

WELCOME

This morning as we join in worship, our hope for you is that you will find renewed life, health and strength in God. We are glad that you have heard God's call to come and worship, and that you have chosen to do so with this congregation. If you do not have a church home in this area, we invite you to join with us as we seek to serve Christ and live as His disciples. You may be received into church membership by profession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. If you are interested in uniting with this church, please contact the church office or any elder.

Session Members

Nancy Mason - '20 - Worship	Cindy Doyle - '20 - Christian Ed.
Matt Shick - '20 - Stewardship	Carina Brushwood - '21 - Cong. Care
John Hehn - '21 - Facilities	Patty MacEwen - '21 - Administration
Bob Friskney - '22 - Fellowship	Carol Shick - '22 - Worship
Deborah Thatcher - '22- Mission	Cammie Williams - Clerk of Session

Our Mission Statement

To provide opportunities for people to
discover God's love,
seek God's purpose,
and do God's will.

Our Vision Statement

Glorifying God with
mind, body, and soul.

Pastor: The Rev. Loli Reiter
Ministers: The Congregation

*"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts
of him who called you out of darkness into
his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9*

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PRELUDE "Largo" from Guitar Concerto — Vivaldi

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 131)

O Lord, my heart is not lifted up,
My eyes are not raised too high;
I don not occupy myself with things
Too great and too marvelous for me.
But I have calmed and quieted my soul,
Like a weaned child with its mother;
My soul is like the weaned child that is with me.
Alleluia! Amen!

HYMN # 467 "How Great Thou Art"

**O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hand have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;**

Refrain: **Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, low great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!**

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain***

**And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain***

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! *Refrain***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God who is Life-giver and Sustainer, forgive our selfish ways. Forgive the ways we carelessly treat the earth that holds us and feeds us. Forgive the ways we disregard Your care for us in the daily blessings we receive, and forgive the many excuses we use to justify not spending time with You. May we open our eyes to appreciate the blessings You have given us. May our wills be moved to act out of the abundant love we receive from You. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S TIME AND SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING John 14:1-14

SERMON *"I Assure you that whoever believes in me will do the works that I do. They will do even greater works than these because I am going to the Father."* John 14:12

PRAISE SONG 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

**Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name**

**The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes**

**You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find**

**And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again
from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to
judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offering - Where do you see God working in our world today?

Doxology

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Matthew 6:9-13)

**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 sins as we
forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN # 341 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.**

Refrain: **This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;**

**This is my story, this is my song,
Praising mt Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain***

**Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His good ness, lost in His love. *Refrain***

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all, be with
you all. The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.
Amen.**

POSTLUDE "Medieval May Song"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES The office is PHYSICALLY closed as we continue to be a part of the effort of keeping our congregation and community safe. Kara will continue to be available by telephone and email during regular church hours (Mon.- Thurs., 9:00am to 2:00pm), and the mail will continue to be picked up regularly. If there is a need, don't hesitate to contact us. Meals on Wheels will continue to prepare food on Wednesdays, but we encourage all other groups to refrain from gathering until further notice. Please continue to pray and know you are being prayed for. God bless!

VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE THIS WEEK

Temple Keeper: Mark Williams (on or before 5/16)

SUNDAY SCHOOL - No Zoom Sunday school May 10th, see you next week!

SESSION Zooming - The session will meet as scheduled via Zoom, Tuesday, **May 12th at 7pm.**

NEWSLETTER ITEMS ARE DUE MAY 15TH please submit your articles or other items to pseffner@tampabay.rr.com

HEALTHCARE WORKERS - If we have healthcare workers who are part of our extended church family not mentioned in the prayer list, please let us know so we can add them to the list.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE MINISTRIES OF OUR CHURCH! We are so grateful for your faithful giving! Today and during the month of May, we also have an opportunity to give toward our denominational offering, **PENTECOST OFFERING**, supporting ministries that unite young people and inspire them to share their faith in Christ. We continue to offer help through **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**, which is already drawing **\$2.7 million to fight the COVID-19 epidemic** both in the U.S. and abroad. You can continue to give through the mail; by setting up "Bill Pay" with your bank; and now you can make a secure gift on our website. May God continue to bless you, as you continue to be a blessing to others!

OUR MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM continues to feed those most in need even during these difficult times. Please continue to keep this ministry and its volunteers in your prayers.

"ZOOM"ing right into our EASTER BIBLE STUDY! We continue our Bible Study Opportunity on "Zoom", one at 6:30pm. The book we are using is, **Why Easter Matters**, by Andy Stanley.

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY is alive but on hold. Once the State prison system opens the doors for visitors and ministries, and the Kairos state council agrees, the team will be right back at it. The generous donations that were received from the church remain in the church account for future disbursement. We are hoping that we can have a weekend event this coming fall. The team is always recruiting for volunteers and if any of our men, ages 18 and older want to find out more about this ministry, please contact Aaron Sampson or Greg Uebel. Thank you very much for your support.

EGG CARTON COLLECTION is an ongoing ministry. The cartons are taken to E.C.H.O. to be used for distribution of eggs to families when picking up food. Currently the cartons may be left on any of the benches around the court yard at the church. Upon returning to the church, a plastic silver container is available for collection, inside the front entry to the fellowship hall.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 10, 2020

11:00 am Worship Service Online Live

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

7:00 pm Zoom Session Meeting

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

8:30 am Meals on Wheels

6:30 pm Easter Bible Study Online Live

Thursday, May 14, 2020

10:00 am Zoom Music Staff Meeting

Friday, May 15, 2020

Newsletter Items are Due

Sunday, May 17, 2020

11:00 am Worship Service Online Live

A HOPEFUL LOOK AHEAD

May 10 Sunday Worship Online, Mother's Day!
11 Women's Bible Study Virtually
12 Session Meets Virtually
13 Meals on Wheels, Easter Bible Study Meets Virtually
17 Sunday Worship Online
20 Meals on Wheels
21 Ascension of the Lord
24 Sunday Worship Online
25 Memorial Day!
27 Meals on Wheels
31 Day of Pentecost

PRAISES and CONCERNS

Pray at all times in the Spirit...Ephesians 6:18a

Our ministry is to pray for our members who are hospitalized, ill, home bound, attending college, and in the military; and to also encourage others to send cards, make a phone call or visit if possible. If you do not have a directory or need an address not listed, please contact the church office, we will be happy to help.

Robert Lavazza

Melissa Triebwasser

Bill Worth

George Kosan

Susan Kriska

Tammy Wooster

Terry Cooney

Bob Stetler

Jim Barfield

Charles Brandt

Joy Lavazza

Bonnie & John Taylor

Healthcare Workers: Lexi Crawford, Maggie Hehn, Patricia Hudson, Cheryl High Sawyer

College: Kai Abe, Elizabeth Banks, Michaela Brushwood, Danh Cooney, Michael Hawkins, Christian Jaimungal, Rachel Kosan, Peter Lapham, Amber Todd, Jenny Todd

Military: Jeff Mason Jr., Diego Rincon, Justin Ernul, Wyatt Harris, Michael Paynter, Sherryn Ramkarran, Aaron Sampson