

Order of Worship
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 26, 2019

MORNING MEDITATION - *(Please enter Sanctuary in quietness and silent prayer)*

“The wisdom that comes from heaven: is first of all pure; then peace loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.” James 3:17

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has created a world with so many opportunities for each of God's Children that the possibilities seem endless.

People: We thank you Lord, each day for the possibility of a better and more wholesome life in this frustrating and turbulent world.

Leader: So, Almighty God, open our doors and windows so that your Spirit abides in all places. Through Jesus we are all called to focus upon following in word and deed His message of love.

People: Help us, O gracious Spirit, to come together; to cope with the speed at which time goes, to rise above the fray and the fear, and to find ways to be friends with one another in Christ.

Leader: So let us sing together and praise God! Let us pray and hear God's Word and learn to live God's message in our daily lives.

OPENING HYMN: "Rejoice in God's Saints"

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INVOCATION

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Leader: O Sacred Three in One, enter into our midst so that our hearts will be lifted; to see your beauty, your loving compassion and your infinite love.

People: Come to us, O Lord, so we can absorb your light and feel the joy of singing your praises. Help us to follow, to choose your Wisdom and to be formed into your people.

Leader: O Son of God, make us your own; for we comprehend so little of your wonder. We understand so little of your enormity. We feel so little of your unconditional love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. David F. Hurst

Leader: O God, we fall short in so many ways, Keep us confident that we understand your love enough to say we are sorry for our mistakes.

People: Help us to reveal to ourselves the truth of our shortcomings and work on them. Grant us the ability to see that our frailty, our imperfection is what God smiles upon and forgives. Keep us from emboldening our sin, rationalization and lies and rationalizations. Forgive us Lord! Grant us your peace from the guilt and second guess our decisions. AMEN.

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE

If we open our hearts to feel the love of God and we sincerely work upon changing our defects and sin, we are forgiven! The Apostle Peter says, You have been born anew, not of perishable but of an imperishable seed through the living and enduring word of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

***** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S TIME

PSALTER READING: Psalm 67 pg 791

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

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Pastoral Prayers

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

*****Response "Glory Be to the Father"**

"Glory is 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."

SCRIPTURE READING:First Lesson - Acts 16: 9-15

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(Chair Bible NT pg. 136)

*****HYMN OF PREPARATION: "This is My Song"**

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SCRIPTURE READING:Second Lesson - John 14:12-31

(Chair Bible NT pg. 109)

SERMON: "Rise! Be on Your Way"

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MINISTRY OF GIVING

*****Doxology**

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts, Praise the Spirit! Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Prayer of Dedication

*****PARTING HYMN: "Battle Hymn of the Republic"**

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BENEDICTION

Leader: May the love of God, God the Son and the Holy Spirit guide us in all our tasks and encounters.

People: May the grace of God keep us upon the path of light and goodness. May the wisdom of God and the presence of the Holy Spirit guide us on the way to salvation. AMEN.

POSTLUDE

Attendance for last Sunday, May 19th - Adults 21 Children 0

Altar Flowers this morning are given by Rev. Lois Bailey in honor of her Aunts.

****Week of May 26th**

Sunday, May 26th - Morning Worship 10am

Bible Study (Pastor's Office) 11:30am

Wednesday, May 29th - Office Hours 8:30am - 1:30am

Worship Committee Meeting 9am

Mutual Ministry Meeting 10am

****Week of June 2nd:**

Sunday, June 2nd - Morning Worship with Communion 10am

Bible Study (Pastor's Office) 11:30am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****PRAYER CHAIN** - The CUMC Prayer Chain is up and running! If anyone has a concern for a family or church member for whom they would like prayer, please call the church or text Rev. Hurst and he will then notify those on the CUMC Prayer Chain. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain and offer prayer for those in need, please talk to Nancy Harding.

****CEREAL DRIVE** - Today is the last Sunday for our Annual Cereal Drive for Northampton Survival Center overseen by our church Mission Committee. In a few weeks we will be notified as to how well we did.

****BIBLE STUDY** - The Bible Study meets every week in the Pastor's Office at 11:30am following our worship service. This Bible Study will have sessions thru June. There will be no bible study during the summer, pick up again in the Fall.

****OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SUPPLIES COLLECTION**

During the month of June Missions is collecting Toothbrushes, Wash Cloths, Bar Soap and Combs for the Children. A box for donations is out by the "Table of Opportunity".

****EASTER FLOWERS** - If you are one who throws away your Church Easter Flowers after they have gone by - DON'T! Bring them to church and the bulbs will be planted in the fall and we will have Springtime beauty!! See Pam

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"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM



Rev. David F. Hurst, Pastor

Music Director, Pam Kukucka

"Our mission is to become disciples of Christ and to fulfill God's will through spiritual growth, education worship and fellowship. We express our faith through service to others."

We welcome you to join us in this our journey!