

Celebrating 200 Years!

Morning Worship May 2, 2010 Fifth Sunday of Easter 200th Anniversary Celebration Ordination/Installation of Elders

Coming Together in Christ

10:55 AM MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation.)

11:00 AM CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Prelude on Lauda Anima* John H. Schaffner

INTROIT *At the Name of Jesus* "King's Weston"
(words 1890)

Entering God's Presence

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 148: 11-12, 13
Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and women alike, old and young together!
People: **Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.**

* ANNIVERSARY HYMN OF PRAISE #308 "Kingsfold"
O Sing a Song of Bethlehem (words 1899, music 1893)

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

Father, we want to be useful Christians, always ready to do your bidding, fully equipped for your service. Help us to offer ourselves completely to you, and to form the good habits which belong to a Christian way of life. Help us to make good use of our bodily powers. Forgive us our laziness, forgive our overwork. Forgive us from dissipating our energies; forgive us from hesitating to spend ourselves. May our bodies truly be servants of our spirits, and may our spirits be servants of Christ our Lord.

KYRIE ELEISON (Congregation & Choir) **#63, Lift Up Your Hearts**
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy upon us. (repeat)

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON John Dillon

* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE **#28, Lift Up Your Hearts**
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah! (repeat)

ANNOUNCEMENTS (children may come forward and get their worship bags during this time)

Hearing God's Word

200th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Sue Rudd

* ANNIVERSARY HYMN OF PREPARATION #293 "Terra Beata"
This is My Father's World (words 1901, music 1915)

ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF ELDERS:
Bob Courtney, Colum Dillon, Carole Helmick, Deb Hendrickson, Joan DeVee Dixon,
Susan Mills, and Randy Stroup

FIRST LESSON Proverbs 3:1-5 Pew Bible p. 553

SECOND LESSON Acts 4:1-3, 7-10 Pew Bible p. 113

THE ANNIVERSARY ANTHEM Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)
Angel Bands in Strains Sweet Sounding
Angel bands, in strains sweet sounding, Anthems to the Saviour raise:
Host of heaven, His throne surrounding, Hymn the great Creator's praise.
Radiant orb of day, adore him, Praise Him, thou who rul'st the night;
Heaven of heavens, O bow before Him, Laud Him, Laud Him, all ye worlds of light. Amen.

THE SERMON "By What Power?" Rev. John Dillon

Our Response to God's Love

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
To be reconciled with God is to be sent into the world as his reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares his labor of healing the enmities which separate men from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.

Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of his witness in his own particular situation. He is entitled to the guidance and support of the Christian community and is subject to its advice and correction. He in turn, in his own competence, helps to guide the church.
—9:31, 9:38, *The Confession of 1967*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
(Please partake of the communion elements as you receive them.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORSHIPPING THE LORD THROUGH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY SOLO *Fughetta on Lauda Anima* Schaffer

* THE DOXOLOGY #592, The Hymnal

**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.**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

* ANNIVERSARY HYMN OF PARTING #401 "Rustington"
When Will People Cease Their Fighting? (music 1897)

* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

* SUNG BENEDICTION *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Dennis

**Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.**

Going Forth in God's Love

* THE POSTLUDE "Lauda Anima"

* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

About the Affirmation of Faith

The PC (USA) Book of Confessions is a collection of Confessions from the church in many ages and many different situations. Therefore, its expressions of faith cover a multitude of theological opinions, many of which are obviously influenced by who participated in their preparation and the times and customs of their era. While not necessarily agreeing with every statement precisely, our Ministers, Elders, and Deacons swear to be guided by its principles and truths. We select a passage from one of these Confessions each month to experience and explore the breadth and depth of our heritage.

Continuing our exploration of the Confessions, in May we will be using the *Confession of 1967*. The Book of Confessions Study Edition prefaces *The Confession of 1967* with the following explanation:

“The church confesses its faith when it bears a present witness to God’s grace in Jesus Christ. In every age, the church has expressed its witness in words and deeds as the need of the time required. Confessions and declarations are subordinate standards... No one type of confession is exclusively valid, no one statement is irreformable. Obedience to Jesus Christ alone identifies the one universal church and supplies the continuity of its tradition...”

“The purpose of the Confession of 1967 is to call the church to that unity in confession and mission which is required of disciples today. This Confession is not a “system of doctrine”, nor does it include all the traditional topics of theology. For example, the Trinity and the Person of Christ are not redefined, but are recognized and reaffirmed as forming the basis and determining the structure of the Christian faith.”

Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God’s Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

What's Happening This Week:



SUNDAY, MAY (2)

9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM Worship Service, 5th Sunday of Easter
200th Anniversary Celebration
Elder Ordination/Installation
On the Air WCBC
12:00 PM Punch & Cookie Reception in Library
12:30 PM Summer Lunchbox Mtg. in Heritage Room
5:30 PM GAFOSAC Youth Meeting & Pizza

MONDAY, MAY (3)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
4:30 PM Finance & Admin Meeting in Parlor
6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds Mtg. in Parlor

TUESDAY, MAY (4)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
5:00 PM Personnel Committee Mtg. in Pastor's Study
6:30 PM Worship Committee Mtg. in Parlor

WEDNESDAY, MAY (5)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
6:15 PM JoyBells Rehearsal
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY (6)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
11:30 AM Christian Ed Mtg. in Pastor's Study
7:00 PM Global Mission Mtg. in Parlor

FRIDAY, MAY (7)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool

SATURDAY, MAY (8)

10:00 AM E-Cycling at FSU
2:30 PM AHS Spaghetti Dinner at
LaVale United Methodist Church

SUNDAY, MAY (9)

Mother's Day

9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM Worship Service, 6th Sunday of Easter
Time for Children, Children's Choir Sings
On the Air WCBC

Fun and Games!

The Congregational Care Committee is looking at possible future activities for our church family and would very much appreciate your input. Please circle the activities in which you might like to participate and/or add your own suggestions and drop this in the offering plate.

Thank you for your help!

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| Mother/Daughter Banquet | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Catered | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Potluck | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Bonfire/Hotdog Roast | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Talent Show and Dessert | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Night of Conversation (groups & topics) | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Hymn Sing | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Bible Study & Sandwiches | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Potluck Dinners | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Ice Cream Social | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Church Sponsored Bus Trips | Yes | No | Maybe |
| Church Picnic | Yes | No | Maybe |

Other: _____

Your Name (Optional): _____

Phone Number: _____

You can also share your idea with any Congregational Care Committee member: Kathy Dowell, Penny Campbell, Joan Ralston, Sharon Squires, Carol Morgan, Nancy Hodges or Gail Plitnik.



The people who play together stay together!