#### **Call Statement:**

"My call is to share my Faith in Christ"

#### **Mission Statement:**

"To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior."

## "Worship the God of Wonders"



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP SIXTH SUNDAY OF FASTER

Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to hear and join in today's Worship service

It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; His dominion endures from generation to generation..

Daniel 4:2,3

#### **WELCOME AND PRAYER**

#### **BRIEF ORDER: CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness....Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

#### THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you (Greet each other sharing Christ's

peace.)

HYMN LBW #379

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

Verse 1

Spread, oh, spread, almighty Word, Spread the reign of God the Lord; Tell how His own Son He Gave, All from sin and death to save.

Verse 2

Tell of our Redeemer's grace, Who, to save our human race And to pay rebellion's price, Gave Himself as sacrifice.

Verse 3

Tell of God the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n, Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.

Verse 4

Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind; Let the gath'ring nations all See Your light and heed Your call.

#### THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and

the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

#### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Christ Jesus,

All: The true Word, eternal God, born of a virgin, tender shoot from the stump of Jesse, blessed Lamb, by Him souls were set free, through His blood all were redeemed, the earth rejoiced because the enemy departed, death of death, hell's destruction, You gave freedom to Your new creation that rejoices to call You Master. Jesus, Lamb of God, You forgive the sins of the world. We call on Your holy name. Amen Greek Papyrus

Fragment, Cairo Museum, Fourth Century

LESSONS Acts 10:34-48

Psalm 98

GOSPEL John 15:18-16:4

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

For Everyone

**SONG** 

I Love to Tell the Story

Verse 1

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, Because I know it's true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do.

#### Chorus

I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory And tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

#### Verse 2

I love to tell the story: How pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

#### Verse 3

I love to tell the story. For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story That I have loved so long.

#### APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the

Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father

in prayer...

Pastor: (After each petition. . .) Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for

the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true

Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

All: Amen.

#### THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. All: and also with you. Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

AII: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All:

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### The WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### The LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; All:

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 trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

The DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

### The POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen

and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

All: Amen.

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us All: through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our

Lord. Amen.

#### THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen

#### THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His

face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord

look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

**SONG** 

Happiness is the Lord

Verse 1

Happiness is to know the Savior,
Living a life within His favor,
Having a change in my behavior - Happiness is the Lord;

Verse 2

Happiness is a new creation,

"Jesus and me" in close relation,

Having a part in His salvation - Happiness is the Lord;

**Bridge** 

Real joy is mine, No matter if teardrops start; I've found the secret - It's Jesus in my heart!

Verse 3

Happiness is to be forgiven,
Living a life that's worth the livin',
Taking a trip that leads to heaven - Happiness is the Lord.

Ending
Happiness is the Lord, Happiness is the Lord.

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

# NEXT SUNDAY May 12, 2024 Ascension Sunday Mother's Day Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53

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Join us for Fellowship Hour following worship today





Join in our Tuesday Bible Study 10:30 am on Tuesdays mornings

- Gospel of Mark - we meet in the Narthex-



## Day Camp June 24<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00 - 11:30 am

Day Camp is coming. We ask you to be in prayer during these weeks for this discipleship ministry we do. We also invite you to make plans to help make the week of June 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> powerfully life transforming with your time, and your God-given gifts.