

# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

May 1, 2016

## RINGING OF THE BELL

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

**C: Amen**

P: 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.

*Silence for reflection*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: 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.**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our 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.

**C: Amen**

### KYRIE

**Pg. 78 to 79**—Pastor and congregation singing responses

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, Have mercy.**

P: For peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, Have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God. And for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, Have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, Have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord

**C: Amen**

### **HYMN**

**Pg. 81 to 82**—Pastor sings first 6 measures

P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever, Amen.  
This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

#### **SALUTATION**

**Pg. 82**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray .....

**C: Amen**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us Pray.....God of all mercy, it is amazing that you show up in such surprising ways. Help us to see the stories of Jesus' life as ways you respond to the world around You. Help us keep our eyes focused on You, so that we, too, can respond to all of our encounters in the world with Your eyes and through Your Spirit.

**C: Amen**

#### **FIRST LESSON: [1 Corinthians 13:1-13](#) *The greatest of virtues is love***

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

#### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

**[Sing Out a New Song to the Lord](#)**

**[By Nancy Price and Don Besig](#)**

#### **GOSPEL: [Mark 1:9-22](#) *Jesus begins his ministry by inviting in disciples***

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"



**C: hear our prayer**

## **OFFERING**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**Pg. 88**

P: The Lord Be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## **SANCTUS**

**Pg. 89**

P: It is indeed right and salutary .... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

## **DISTRIBUTION**

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Red Book" 126 Let us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees;

Let us break bread together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy on me.

Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees;

Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees;

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;

Let us praise God together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord have mercy on me.

“Green Book” 448      Amazing Grace  
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
‘Tis grace has bought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me;  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

“Green Book” 346      When Peace, like a River  
When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows roll;  
What ever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, It is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed his own blood for my soul.

He lives – oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to his cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul.

#### **PRAYER**

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us 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.

**C: Amen**

**PRAYER IN THANKS FOR CHUCK AND JAN LANE'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**BENEDICTION**

**Pg. 95**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ...+ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

**Pg. 95**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**