



Christ Is Rising!

May 9, 2021 — 10:30 AM

Sixth Sunday of Easter Sunday - WI-37 WO-62

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team — Music Director: Jayne McDonough, Worship Leader, and Soloist: the Rev. Larry Moyer; Pastor: the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production: Norris Clark.

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Thank you for joining us for Worship Online or In-Person! **Online:** www.facebook.com/coldspringchurch. Should our live stream be interrupted, please rejoin as soon as we are back online! If online, sing aloud and read along! Telephone: **Call 929-205-6099. Meeting ID 882 3154 2428. Passcode 1714.**

In-Person: Remember to speak words in bold softly, and since we can't sing out loud, softly speak lyrics or hum to the music!

WORSHIP PREVIEW

Happy Mother's Day!



This Sunday, we commemorate Mother's Day. Honoring motherhood has a long history from the earliest of times. Our

Mother's Day tradition is mainly attributed to Anna Jarvis. She worked tirelessly honoring a mother's sacrifice in caring for children, following her own mother's death on the second Sunday of May in 1905. In 1908, thousands of people attended a Mother's Day event financed by Presbyterian and Philadelphia department store owner John Wanamaker at one of his retail stores in Philadelphia. It didn't

take long for Mother's Day celebrations to become a commercial success when florists, greeting card manufacturers, and retail stores joined in its promotion.

God knows our hearts and our heartaches this Mother's Day. As others rightfully celebrate the joy and love of the mothers in their lives, this day, for some of us, is a sad reminder of a mother's absence in our lives. If we buy flowers today, it may only be to place them by a graveside. If we buy a card today, it could only be in hopes of knowing our mothers one day. Some simply miss our mom's hugs prevented by travel and health restrictions, something Facebook or FaceTime connections just can't replace. Others grieve strained relationships. Many will light a candle in honor of a mother who is not locally present or who has passed, long ago or more recently. For some, this Mother's Day will be joyful. Others are tearful. For some wistful, or it will just be a day that feels empty.

But God comforts us like a mother. God's Spirit meets us where we are. Let's honor the mothers that we knew, those we are blessed to know, or the mothers that we hope for. God's love shared in our hearts and with others can remind us of the abundant life, love, care, provision, forgiveness, and hope we have received through Jesus Christ.

"As a mother comforts her child,
so will I comfort you" (Isaiah 66:13a)



Following worship, receive a special Mother's Day gift from the session to honor moms past, present and future.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Happy anniversary to Nichole & Ralph DiLossi (May 4). Birthday blessings to Eileen Word (May 7), Joe Roach (May 8), David Word (May 9), Dale Myers (May 12), and Nancy Wand (May 14).

GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS: REV. KEVIN YOHO (10:24)

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP (10:25)

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH (10:27)

WELCOME: REV. KEVIN YOHO (10:30)

And Jesus said, "I Chose you! Come!"
To all mothers and all children: he said, "Come!"
to the motherless and the childless: he said, "Come!"
to all who long to be mothered: he said, "Come!"
Come unto me all who labour and are over-burdened,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am gentle and humble of heart
and you will find rest for your souls."

MOTHER'S DAY TRIBUTE MOVIE (10:32)

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE): (10:33)

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen, indeed!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is rising in our lives. Let us worship God!

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON): (1-10:33)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong, and it never ends.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

Loving God, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: PSALM 98 (NIV)

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.
The Lord has made his salvation known

and revealed his righteousness to the nations.
He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;
make music to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,
with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—
shout for joy before the Lord, the King.
Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.
Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together for joy;
let them sing before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

MESSAGE FOR KIDS: *How To Know? How To Show?*

(10:34)

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

MUSIC: *GOD OF THE WOMEN*

REV. LARRY MOYER

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 15:9-17 (MSG)

(10:38)

"I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you'll remain intimately at home in my love. That's what I've done—kept my Father's commands and made myself at home in his love.

"I've told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I'm no longer calling you servants because servants don't understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I've named you friends because I've let you in on everything I've heard from the Father.

"You didn't choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won't spoil. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you.

"But remember the root command: Love one another.

MESSAGE: I CHOSE YOU! —JESUS

John 15:9-17 • REV. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:

**MUSIC (VIDEO LYRICS): NOW THANK
WE ALL OUR GOD (3:25)**

(4) (10:50)

*Let's sing, or hum, or clap our hands
together, right where we are!)*



Verse 1

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices
Who wondrous things has done
In whom His world rejoices
Who from our mother's arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today

Verse 2

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next

Verse 3

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given
The Son and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heaven adore
For thus it was is now
And shall be evermore

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

(10:54)

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together:

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

(10:54)

O God, we confess that sometimes we have resisted your love. We let despair or anger take hold of us. We fail to keep our commitments to you and to others. Forgive us for hurting or neglecting others. Rise up into this world, into our lives, into our hearts, starting here in Cape May. Give us the wisdom and courage we need to be transformed, forgive, and work for peace, showing love and welcoming all, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and rising Lord,
God loves and forgives us to live a life of faith and justice.
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

THE GLORIA (SPOKEN)

(3) (10:56)

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

(10:57)

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PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

THE DOXOLOGY (SPOKEN)

(5) (10:58)

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(10:58)

Our prayers are with you, wherever you are. We pray for all who suffer from the pandemic, racial unrest, violence, discrimination, unemployment, anxiety. God grant us peace and calm amid the changes and challenges that all would thrive in wellness.

05/09: Mary Patrick (Anne Ferrari's sister) passed away Friday. Prayers for family. 05/02: Calvin, heart issues; Celebrating twin

Grand babies to Terryl; Karen receiving chemo; Greg, deployed to Afghanistan; Dennis McD, Jr., on hospice. Greg, COVID-19 resurgence especially in India; 04/25: Celebration for improved health and wellness; Norris successful back surgery; Thanksgiving for ten new members to be received soon. Celebration for baby James born to Amanda and James! We pray for speedy healing for Max M, Kim Henry, Brad S, Eileen S.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

(11:03)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.`

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:09)

Once we were strangers, Now we are neighbors.
Once we were strangers, Now we are friends.

BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO (11:04)

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH (11:05)

Go in peace!

We hope that you felt spiritually energized by joining us today. All of our worship services are available for viewing and sharing at any time [here](#).

Please invite others to join you next week. We pray that you're staying safe wherever you are and wherever you go. May God bless you and those you love now and always.



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