



Christ Is Rising!



May 29, 2022 — 10:30 AM

Seventh Sunday of Easter, Ascension Sunday

Memorial Day Observed

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team — Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Rev. Larry Moyer;

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production: Norris Clark.

WELCOME! ENJOY WORSHIP, MASKS ARE OPTIONAL.

WORSHIP YOUR WAY!



In-person or worship online:

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With Covid-19 case counts rising, we continue to manage and mitigate the effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic by healthy gatherings.

While masks are optional, you are encouraged to wear a mask until you're seated.

MESSAGE PREVIEW

Our Memorial Day tributes are tragically overshadowed by the school shooting on Tuesday in Uvalde, Texas that took the lives of nineteen students and two adults.

"A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled,
because they are no more" (Matthew 2:18).

Our entire nation mourns the violence, especially gun violence in the United States. Let's not grow weary in the urgent and challenging work ahead to address violence and promote peace in our communities and ensure the safety of our children.

As we remember the sacrifices of those who have died serving our country in every branch of our military, we remember those sacrifices were not just for our freedom, but for the freedom of all people around the world! Jesus said, "There is no greater love than this, that one lays down their life for another." As a faith community, we thank God for freedoms here and around the world.

The message this week centers on Jesus' Ascension into heaven when he gave the disciples a new job to do. With his ascension, Jesus called us to be "little Christs," Jesus' incarnation in the world. That's a large responsibility. If it were not for Jesus' promise of Pentecost we will celebrate

next Sunday, June 5th, the disciples would have no power to go “into all of the worlds.” Jesus, in his Ascension, promised spiritual power was on its way. Discover how to develop your spiritual staying power this week at Cold Spring Church! Thank you for bringing others with you to our Memorial Day worship experience.

MUSIC PREVIEW

We will enjoy a special Memorial Day countdown video and a video tribute to those who gave their lives in military service. Rev. Larry Moyer will serve as our worship leader and will offer a special solo this week. Following the message, we will sing the hymn, All Hail the Power. This hymn is a declaration of praise, but it’s also much more than that. The words both declare the majesty of Christ and task us with making that majesty known to all. Like many hymns describing the glory of God and the hope that one day all people will see that glory, this hymn alludes to Philippians 2:9-11: “at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

We long for this day and declare our hope in its arrival in the text of this hymn. But are we willing to declare that hope to those who have not heard it? The phrase, “Easier said than done” comes to mind here. After we have sung these words of victory and longing, what do we do? Do we act on those words and turn our expectancy into realities? Or do we wait for someone else to do it for us? The fourth stanza of this great hymn declares, “We’ll join the everlasting song...” Everlasting means that we are a part of that song right now – are we willing to lift our voices together to sing more than a hymn, and truly crown our God Lord of all, then tell others the Good News?

Our closing hymn was written by the Rev. Carolyn Gillette in remembrance of the beloved children and adults who died in the school shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas on May 24, 2022. Many of us, as individuals, do not accept violence, keep silent, or clamor for guns. Yet, as a nation, we do these things, and as a nation, God invites us all to repent; we need to turn around and live a different way. All of us are called to do more than sing and pray. Let’s find ways to work for gun safety laws in your community and state. If you’d like to read more about this hymn, click this link to an article from the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

GREETING OF WORSHIPPERS: PASTOR KEVIN (10:24)

MEMORIAL DAY COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP (10:25)

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH (10:27)

WELCOME: PASTOR KEVIN (10:30)

MEMORIAL DAY VIDEO: THE FALLEN

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY): REV. LARRY MOYER (10:32)

Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Creator of the universe and God of every nation, we remember those brave women and men that sacrificed their lives so that others may live without fear. Stir us to action for others in their memory.

God has welcomed us to this place.

Hallelujah! Christ is rising!

Christ is rising, indeed!

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.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: ACTS 1:8-11 (MSG) (10:38)

Jesus told them, "You don't get to know the time. Timing is the Father's business. What you'll get is the Holy Spirit. And when the Holy Spirit comes on you, you will be able to be my witnesses in Jerusalem, all over Judea and Samaria, even to the ends of the world."

These were Jesus' last words. As they watched, he was taken up and disappeared in

a cloud. They stood there, staring into the empty sky. Suddenly two men appeared—in white robes! They said, “You Galileans!—why do you just stand here looking up at an empty sky? This very Jesus who was taken up from among you to heaven will come as certainly—and mysteriously—as he left.”

MESSAGE FOR KIDS-

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

MUSIC: - REV. LARRY MOYER

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 24:44-53 (MSG)

Then Jesus said, “Everything I told you while I was with you comes to this: All the things written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets, and in the Psalms have to be fulfilled.”

He went on to open their understanding of the Word of God, showing them how to read their Bibles this way. He said, “You can see now how it is written that the Messiah suffers, rises from the dead on the third day, and then a total life-change through the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed in his name to all nations—starting from here, from Jerusalem! You’re the first to hear and see it. You’re the witnesses. What comes next is very important: I am sending what my Father promised to you, so

stay here in the city until he arrives, until you're equipped with power from on high.”

He then led them out of the city over to Bethany. Raising his hands he blessed them, and while blessing them, made his exit, being carried up to heaven.

And they were on their knees, worshiping him. They returned to Jerusalem bursting with joy. They spent all their time in the Temple praising God. Yes.



MESSAGE: SPIRITUAL STAYING POWER

REV. DR. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

MUSIC: *ALL HAIL THE POWER*

Verse 1

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 2

O seed of Israel's chosen race
Now ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 3

Let every tongue and every tribe
Responsive to His call
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 4

O that with all the sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

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 (UNISON)

Thank you, God, for forgiving our sins and anything that holds us back as we are stirred by your Spirit and become reconciled to the rising Christ. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

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

THE GLORIA

(3) (10:56)

Glory be 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.

PENTECOST OFFERING- BUILDING A LIFE OF FAITH

BEVERLY MATE

MOMENT FOR GIVING

(10:57)

God calls us to lives of grateful generosity we express in our own way. If you are new or visiting, again, Welcome! We hope you continue to feel like our honored guest and enjoy the spiritual blessings of our community. If you believe in our mission and want to present your gift during the worship service, you may place it in the Giving Box as the usher passes. Please don't feel awkward or obligated as we worship together. You may designate your gift to our General Ministry, Deacon's Ministry, worship flowers, or special offerings. Thank you for being a part of God's Church as we love God and others in the name of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

THE DOXOLOGY

(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.**

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy birthday to Anne Ferrari (5/30) and Ethel Simpson (6/1). Anniversary blessings to Michele & Larry Hume (6/4).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(10:58)

Mourning the loss of life in the Uvalde, Texas school shooting. Families mourning the loss of loved ones who recently passed include Sharon Whilden, Jake Lincoln, Aunt Evelyn, Carrie Matthews, and Betty Miller. Harry Whilden (heart condition). Wally (MS, wellness). Judy Lambert (Genesis, North Cape). Damien Bakley (hospice). Matthew's family following a car accident. Sandy Montaña suffered a heart attack. Wendy Boer (stroke). Lenore (macular degeneration), Verna Shifflett, Crystal Vines, Susan, Vinny, Joanne, Ed, Dorothy, Eileen, Reese, Marie, Robert, Patti, Marie.

We pray for the people of Ukraine and all who work for peace. We pray that all who seek shelter, food, employment, healing, and

wholeness in mind, body, and spirit would receive the resources that need. We pray for those suffering from Covid-19 and other illnesses. We ask God to bless those who serve in healthcare, police, fire, government, the armed forces, education, and business.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

(11:24)

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

MUSIC: GOD, OUR NATION FEELS THE LOSS

God, our nation feels the loss
as our children pay the cost
for the violence we accept,
for the silence we have kept.

Rachel weeps for children gone;
God of love, this can't go on!

Jesus, Lord, we hear you say,
"Don't turn little ones away!"
May we build a kinder land
where our children understand:
Every child here matters more
that the guns we clamor for.

Holy Spirit, wind and flame,
send us out in Jesus' name.
May we shout and say, "Enough!"
May we build a world of love —
till the sounds of weapons cease,
till our young can grow in peace.

BENEDICTION: PASTOR KEVIN

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

(11:27)

Go in peace to serve! See you on Pentecost
Sunday, next week! Christ is *still* Rising!

So glad you've joined us. Please share your worship experience with others on our YouTube channel, Facebook, and Instagram. View worship at any time on our YouTube page. Invite others to join you next week.

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