

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

\*Congregation standing for those who are able

## Our Approach to God

Prelude *Impromptu No. 3 in G-flat major, Op. 90(abr)* F. Schubert

### The Call to Worship

God's goodness is breaking into the world.

**We do not expect the Spirit's movement.**

God gathers in those we judged to be outsiders.

**We witness this in-breaking as healing, wholeness, restoration, and peace.**

\*The Hymn of Praise *Shall We Gather at the River* see insert

### \*The Call to Confession

We are sinner safe through the mercy of God. We are a people in need of God's vision, praying for our eyes to be opened. We are a people in need of God's reversal, praying for our hearts to be softened. We are a people in need of God's reconciliation, praying that our faces might be illumined by God's presence. Let us claim our need of God, confessing our sin together.

### \*The Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we equate our judgment with your judgment, and often consider our ways to be your ways. We define peace as the absence of disruption, holding our comfort as your aim and thinking our preferences reflect your way. Too often we act as if we are your authoritative witnesses, believing our worldview corresponds with your vision, and that our narrative contains your hope for the future.**

**Hear us O Lord, as we approach you from the silence of our hearts with our individual intentions (Silence).**

**O God, dislodge us from our sinful assumptions us with your truth and teach us by your Spirit, that we might live in peace and reflect you love in the world, we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon John 14:27  
Brothers and Sisters, Christ says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

**It is the Lord who returns us to God's presence with Peace.**

You are loved. You are enough. You belong. In Jesus Christ you are restored.

**Thanks be to our God forever and ever.**

\*The Response *He is Lord* Cloninger, Johnson & Fettke  
**He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!**  
**Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!**

The Voluntary *Finale (abr.)* from Sonata in E-flat major, Hob.XVI/49 Haydn

## The Word of God

### The Awarding of Scholarships

The Mary Ann Rigterink Geiersbach and The Muriel Lakey Scholarships are awarded to: Jacob Higley, Alexis Martinez and Jessica Smith  
The Presbyterian College Scholarship is awarded to: Yaw Poku

The New Testament Reading Acts 16:9-15 page 181 NT

The Gospel Reading John 5:1-9 page 129 NT

The Sermon "Pass Me Not" Pastor Philomena

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostle Creed Traditional page 14

### The Sacrament of Baptism

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism is Charlotte Anne LaLonde  
Daughter of Josh and Rebecca LaLonde

Baptismal Hymn (seated) *Jesus Loves Me! (verse 1)* 304

\*The Hymn *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* 326  
Congregation sings verses 1, 3, & 4

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory *Improvisation on SINE NOMINE*

\*The Doxology

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

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude *Prelude No. 21 in B-flat major, BWV 866* by J.S. Bach

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**Liturgist:** Connor Rousseau

**Greeter:** Mike & Deanna Patton

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*Seeking and Serving Christ We are a Place for Growing Christians*

# *Shall We Gather at the River*

1 Shall we gather at the river,  
Where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide forever  
Flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

2 On the margin of the river,  
Washing up its silver spray,  
We will walk and worship ever,  
All the happy golden day. [Refrain]

3 Ere we reach the shining river,  
Lay we ev'ry burden down;  
Grace our spirits will deliver,  
And provide a robe and crown. [Refrain]

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river,  
Soon our pilgrimage will cease;  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver  
With the melody of peace. [Refrain]

# *I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light*

*Words and Music: Kathleen Thomerson, 1970*

I want to walk as a child of the light;  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world;  
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all;  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God;  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God;  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## Scholarship Sunday



the bulletin board in the main hallway.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, May 22. We will hand out the scholarships to this year's recipients during worship. 2022 seniors are encouraged to drop off, send in the mail or email a picture we may use along with the school you are graduating from and what your future plans are so that we may decorate

## May Mission

For the month of May, the mission focus will be collecting books for Reach the Forgotten (formerly called "Forgotten Man Ministries" ). These books will be provided to inmates at the Saginaw County Jail as a means to share the grace and love of Christ. Books that may be accepted include soft cover inspirational



reading, devotions, and bibles. They may also accept puzzle books or magazines, such as crosswords or word-searches. Reach the Forgotten is unable to accept any hard-cover

books or books with staples.

## Old Town Soup Kitchen

For those who are interested in volunteering at the Old Town Soup Kitchen, please see the signup sheet on the mission table. We will have a rotating schedule the first week of each month. Old Town Christian Outreach is a wonderful organization committed to helping those in need. It's a lot of fun, a little hard work, great fellowship, and the spirit of helping others!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second

2nd @ Second will continue to meet on Sunday after worship with the continuation of "The Story of the Bible" one of the Great Courses of Religion and Theology by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson. Join us in the church library for a time of discussion after watching a short video, sharing and reflection.

