

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

MEDITATION IN SONG "For the Beauty of the Earth" By Conrad Kocher
Bell Sextet Arranged by Patricia Sanders Cota

SERMON PRAYER AND SERMON Rev. David A. Jones

MORNING PRAYER

*PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*OUR LORD'S PRAYER – (using debts and debtors)

*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*HYMN "The World That God Imagines" (Insert)

*SILENT MEDITATION

POSTLUDE "He's Everything to Me" R. Carmichael

*Please stand as you are able

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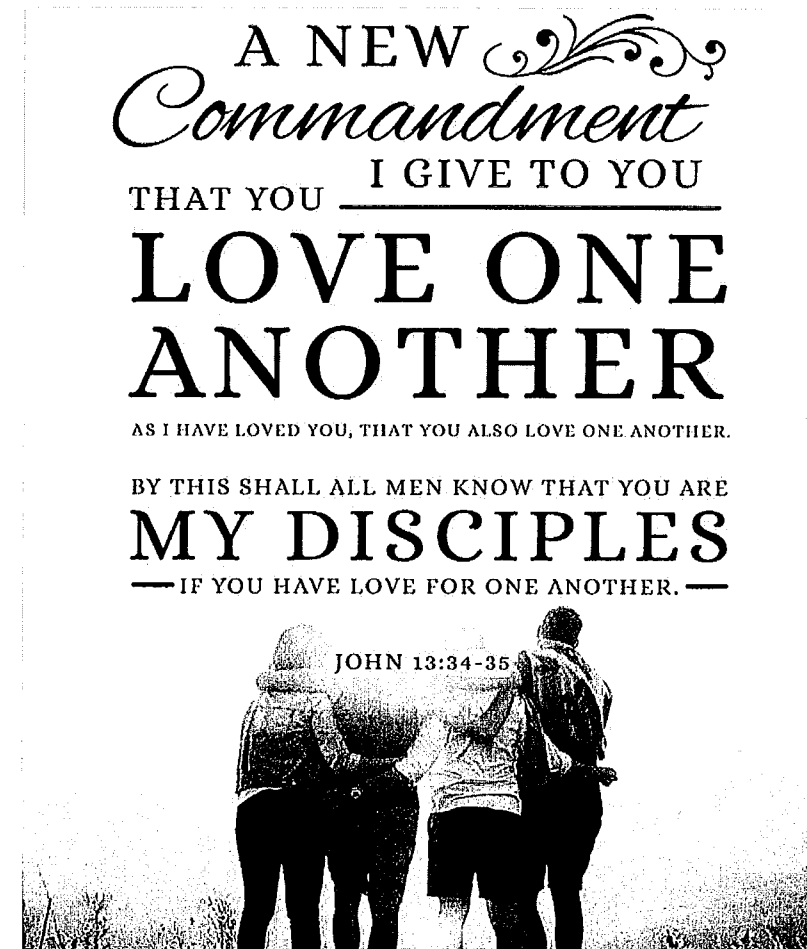
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Nine O'Clock
Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

Reader: Bob Eby

God is Still Speaking ...

"If you are a Christian, you are not a citizen of this world trying to get to heaven; you are a citizen of heaven making your way through this world."

- Vance Havner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Holy Gifts We Offer"

J. Southbridge

*SOLEMN DECLARATION AND SUNG AMEN

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Christ has given us a new commandment.

People: We are called to love one another.

Pastor: By this, everyone will know we are followers of Jesus;

People: We are called to love one another.

Pastor: This is who we are, this is how we are known:

People: We are called to love one another.

Pastor: Come, join your hearts in this time of worship:

People: We will love God; we will seek to follow Jesus, and we will strive to love one another in everything we do.

* HYMN #648 (Green) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Love, we confess that we have misused the precious gift you have given us. We have loved insincerely and we have broken the foundation of trust that love is built upon. Forgive us, Loving One, and call us into repentance. Help us to remember that we have entered into a covenant with you, and you have commanded us to love one another. May our love call us to seek justice for our neighbors. May the love

you have given us help us to grow into the people you have called us to be.

Silent confession...

*KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, Have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Just as Christ has loved us, so we are called to love one another. We are God's beloved. May God's love refresh, renew, and restore you. May God's love call you into repentance. May God's love call you into the work of justice for all. And may God's love fill you with the peace that surpasses all understanding. **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SCRIPTURES

New Testament

Acts 11: 1 - 18

*Gospel

John 13: 31- 35

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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.

*PROCLAIMING OUR FAITH – The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

ST. MARK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
Schedule for Week of May 15, 2022

Sunday Service – 9:00 AM

Sunday – Adult Sunday School – 10:15 AM (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday – Choir Practice – 10:30 AM

Tuesday – Primary Election – 7 AM – 8 PM

Wednesday – Bible Study – 10 AM

Bible Study – 6:30 PM

Friday – Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday – Wedding for Dalton Haulman and Amanda Dove – 2 PM

Saturday – TPA Group – (Fellowship Hall) 9 AM – 4 PM

The flowers on the Communion Table are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Richard Clark by Ruth Clark.

The bulletins are sponsored by the Congregation to the Glory of God.

The following date is available for flowers: May 29. Please call the office if interested in sponsoring the flowers for the date listed above. 717-273-0151 between 9:30 AM & 1:30 PM – Monday – Friday.

If there are any members graduating from high school or college (children or grandchildren), please give their information to the office by May 25, 2022, so we can publish it in the June Carillon.

We will be hosting two town halls immediately after church on Sunday, May 22nd and June 5th. What is the purpose of these town halls? This is an opportunity for us as a congregation to brainstorm where we'd like to head going forward. Ideas for anything pertaining to the church are welcome. Come and bring some innovative ideas. Thanks.

The Yearbook for 2021 is now available. Pick one up in the narthex or if you would like one mailed to you, please let the office know.

Kid's Kamp registration forms are in the narthex.

SAVE THE DATE:

June 25, 2022 – Fellowship Day for the Ladies – 10 AM

July 18-21, 2022 – Kid's Kamp (Pine Acres)

Conference Call information:

Dial (215) 383-1625 Enter conference code: 569284

Press* when asked for your attendee pin

The World That God Imagines

Sung to the tune of "Hymn to Joy"
Lyrics written by Amanda Udis-Kessler

Sing the world that God imagines. Sing of justice, joy, and peace.

Sing of welcome offered freely. Sing of Love's unending feast.

What we sing can call us onward. What we sing can make demands.

As we sing, we live God's future, heart and soul and mind and hands.

Sing the world that God imagines. Sing of all the hungry fed.

Sing the freeing of the captives. Sing of wine and sing of bread.

What we sing can stir our spirits. What we sing can help us care.

Sing the holy invitation. Sing of wonder everywhere.

Build the world that God imagines. Birth a day of hope restored.

Gather in the lost and lonely. Heal the sick and tend the poor,

Ours the work of co-creation, ours the season to rejoice.

Join in love's imagination. Take your place and raise your voice.

Acts 11: 1 – 18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

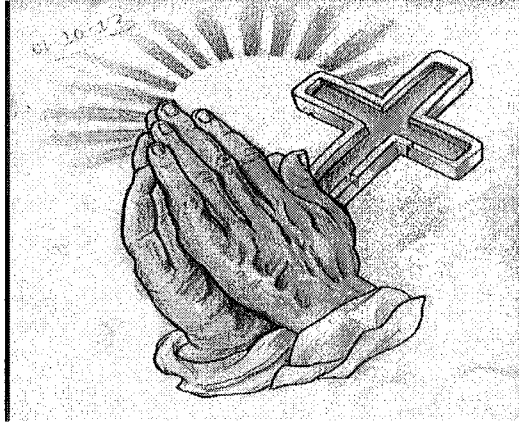
At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be

baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

John 13: 31 – 35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."





ST. MARK'S PRAYER LIST

John and Yvonne Null

Andy Shearer

Sue Kline and Family

Glenn and LuAnn Schneider

Ed Reppert and Family

Deb Wise

Diane Vogel

The People of Ukraine

Those People casting their Ballots

Our Elected Officials