

Bulletin Information
May 29, 2022
7th Sunday of Easter

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: The Spirit and the bride says, "Come."
All: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Let everyone who hears say, "Come."
All: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.
All: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and Omega.
All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

*Prayer of the Day

*Hymn

God Is Here!

PH-461

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all...
(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)
...for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

*Congregational Response

Glory Be to the Father

PH #579

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from Acts

Acts 16:16-34

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm & Psalm Prayer

Psalm 97

One: The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

All: Clouds and darkness surround the Lord, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.

One: Fire goes before the Lord, burning up enemies on every side.

All: Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

One: The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.

All: The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, and all the peoples see your glory.

One: Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.

All: Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements, O Lord.

One: For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all the gods.

All: You who love the Lord, hate evil! Go guard the lives of the saints and rescue them from the hand of the wicked.

One: Light dawns for the righteous and joy for the honest of heart.

All: Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.

One: O God, you clothe the sky with light and the ocean depths with darkness. You work your mighty wonders among us. Give us new and honest hearts, that we may hate evil and love justice; and let us see the dawn of your glory in the face of your only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

New Testament Lesson

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

John 17:20-26

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Love Evangelism

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

**Though no person can look on God, we have seen the glory;
We believe.**

**In the face of an infant; In the big questions that one Youth put to Jerusalem Teachers;
In healing the deaf, the blind, the lame and the leper; In the telling of parables that cracked
open closed minds; We believe.**

**In the honor of children and the respect for outcaste women; In the righteous anger that
cleansed the temple but sealed a Man's fate; In the anguish of Gethsemane and the
sweating of blood; In a Prisoner dragged before courts under the cover of night; In the
words of forgiveness spoken to the executioners; We believe.**

**In the awful cry of desolation uttered from the cross; In the broken, dead body anointed by
grieving women; In the early hours of a Sunday outside an empty tomb; In the greeting of
peace granted to disciples in hiding; In the promise to be with us to the end of time; We
have seen the bright glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ; With joy and thanksgiving,
We believe.**

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn	<i>Of the Father's Love Begotten</i>	PH-309
*Charge and Benediction		
*Congregational Response	<i>Song of Hope</i>	PH-432
Postlude		

Sermon Text for next Sunday: John 14:8-17 (25-27)