

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 24, 2020

WE WILL CONTINUE TO ZOOM OUR WORSHIP SERVICES
IN ADDITION TO BEING IN-PERSON

Apologies for last Sunday's connectivity problems. Zoom was doing a major update and it interrupted service world-wide.

Zoom Worship

To join a worship service, click on the URL provided or copy and paste it into your internet browser. Please mute your phone and turn off video when you join the meeting. This will ensure everyone can hear Pastor.

We will celebrate holy communion. Have a piece of bread or cracker and a small amount of wine or juice ready for consecration.

Contact the church office for the Zoom id or phone number.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

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Prelude

Joyce Wanamaker & Margo Strothmann

You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.

Welcome

P: God is here!
C: God is here!
P: I am here!
C: I am here!
P: We are here!
C: We are here!
P: God is here!
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Ascension Litany

P: From his lofty seat at the right hand of the Father, our Savior gazes upon the world below. He sees his disciples returning to Jerusalem with great joy and blessing God in the temple.

C: May everything under your feet praise your name, O Lord above.

P: From his lofty seat, our Savior sees his followers healing the injured and consoling the grieving.

C: May everything under your feet be renewed by your power, O Lord above.

P: From his lofty seat, our Savior gazes upon the wayward and the lost.

C: May everything under your feet find the way to you, O Lord above.

P: From his lofty seat, our Savior rejoices over the sinner who repents.

C: May everything under your feet know your forgiveness, O Lord above.

P: From his lofty seat, our Savior determines when he will return.

C: O Lord of heaven and earth, watch over all with your love, and keep us ever watchful for your coming again.

Confession and Forgiveness

All: Forgive us Lord, that we should boast of finding your kingdom anywhere else but within us. Help us not to engage in navel-gazing. Rather, let us find you borne in and throughout our lives, presenting you to the world and even to ourselves. Help us make room, for you, Lord. Push aside some of the interior incidental clutter that demands our time, attention, and effort. And let us walk with you, informed and empowered by your gracious Spirit. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

P: "Thus it is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in his name." That Word is now proclaimed to you.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace (We share the words, "Peace be with you" with one another)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Liturgy (spoken)

Kyrie

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Canticle of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Prayer of the Day

All: O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Toni & Michael Wagner

First Reading

Acts 1:6-14

Bible-Old Testament p. 111

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (congregation reads responsively)

¹Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered;
let those who hate God flee.

²**As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away;
as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

³But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them also be merry and joyful.

⁴**Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds;
I AM is that name, rejoice before God!**

⁵In your holy habitation, O God,
you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;

⁶**you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom;
but the rebels shall live in desert places.**

⁷O God, when you went forth before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,

⁸**the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**

⁹You sent a bountiful rain, O God;
you restored your inheritance when it languished.

¹⁰**Your people found their home in it;
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**

³²Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord.

³³**You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens;
you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**

³⁴Ascribe power to God,
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.

³⁵**How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel,
giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!**

Second Reading

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Bible-New Testament p. 225

L: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Announcement

Pastor Carl Gauck

P: The gospel according to John, the seventeenth chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

John 17:1-11

Bible-New Testament p. 105

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon

Pastor Carl Gauck

Special Music

His Eye Is On the Sparrow

Vanessa Hebrank

Profession of Faith—Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

Special Music

Amazing Grace

Margo Strothmann

Holy Communion

The Words of Institution

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Temple Talk

Michael Wagner

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyce Wanamaker &
Margo Strothmann

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,

C: **we share Jesus with all!**

Please wait for the ushers to release you to leave.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Transitional PastorCarl R. Gauck
Organist.....Joyce Wanamaker & Margo Strothmann
Choir Director Tracy Garrett
Handbells Director Katie Heaford
Choir Accompanist Margo Strothmann

9:30 AM

Altar Guild Kandy Husbands
Zoom Technician Al Mohling
Lector Tracy Garrett
UshersJane Maher & Bill Work
Sound Technician.....Michael Wagner

COMING THIS WEEK

May 24-31

Today 9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
Thursday 6:00 p.m. Devotion & Donuts (Zoom)

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (outside)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship (inside)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bev Brumm – fractured vertebrae in neck; at Rusk Rehab, Columbia
Shirley Clark – recovering at home
Karen Pragman – for healing
Larry Fair – recovering at home from a stroke
Marianne Howley—lung cancer

Congratulations to active duty Second Lieutenant Shade Bullock. She commissioned on May 17.

Daily pray for the Call Committee and the congregation as we seek to learn God's purpose for Kent Memorial.

OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY:

Lee Dau—recovering from heart surgery
Pastor Jim Trutwin—recovering from a stroke

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Ron A.
Butch Bayer
Delaney Brumm
J.C. Buck
Cindy Campbell
Julie Clemens
Kelly Covey
Pastor Kimberley Cunningham
Theresa Duddleston
Bill Edwards
Bev Hollingsworth
Kay Hunt
Roland & Connie Isernhagen
Linda Kimberling
Allyne Nieburgh
Diane Reams
Brian Roling
Pat Shank
Jack Wagner
Linda Wagner
Ron Wagner
Bob Worthley
Clarion Winzenburg

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Shade Bullock
Aaron Davis
Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard
Jason Ites
Jason Judge
Nathan Karls
Adam Kralina
Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Joe Marco
Tristan Morgen
Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 17

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given in honor of the people of Kent Memorial.

CARE CORE for May is Sharon Ballard, 573-374-8974.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND--

- At the end of the service, please wait for the ushers to release you. This will allow us to maintain safe distancing as we exit.
- Organized fellowship after the services will not be allowed for the time being.
- Please deposit your offering in the plate at the top of the center aisle.
- Communication to members and friends will continue via weekly email blast concerning upcoming services and associated guidelines.
- Communion will be celebrated with the pre-filled wafer/cup combination. Pick your up as you come into the church. As you leave the service, deposit the empty cup in the receptacle at the top of the center aisle.

BRING YOUR MASK BACK NEXT WEEK Take home the mask you're wearing today, wash it and remember to bring it back next week.

CHURCH OFFICE will be open regular work hours beginning May 26: Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY On May 31st, again following the current guidelines from the Governor, we plan to go to our usual two services. Masks will be required at both services. The first service will be at 8:00am in our outdoor chapel and the second service

will be in the sanctuary at 10:00am. **The 10:00am service will be shared on Zoom.** The link will be provided each week in our email blasts.

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY - Devotions & Donuts

Time: Thursdays at 06:00 PM Central Time via Zoom

May 21 topic: #God's creatures your favorite; Related Bible verses: Genesis chapters 1 & 2, 1st Timothy 4:4, Jeremiah 12:1, Romans 13; 12, and Colossians 1:13

We will start with a short devotional and related discussion. Microphones and webcams (cameras) will be turned on so that we can see and hear each other to facilitate discussion. You may still join with your phone, too.

To join D&D Zoom Meeting contact Al Mohling

BLOOD DRIVE Kent will host a blood drive on Friday, June 12, 1:00-5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Distancing will be observed, and extra sanitizing will be done. To celebrate 25 years of saving local lives, Community Blood Center of the Ozarks will provide t-shirts and snacks. NOTE: appointments are strongly encouraged to manage donor flow. Call 417-227-5006 to schedule your appointment; or go to www.cbco.org/donate-blood.

HOLD ONTO THOSE RUMMAGE SALE TREASURES! Please do not bring any more Rummage Sale items to the basement. In fact, if you could wait to bring your treasures until closer to the rummage sale, that would be most helpful.

USHERS NEEDED Now that we are worshipping in person again AND we will have two services every week, we need ushers. The job has changed up a bit but 2 folks are needed at every service. Please tell Tracy or contact the church office if you can help.

A TABLE has been placed between the main sets of doors into the church and it's jam packed with good stuff!. Individual communion servings are there for you to pick up. On it are the new daily devotional materials. Also, there is a basket for you to drop off your giving envelopes. If you need the door code, leave Tracy a message in the church office, 573-374-5267, or call her at 214-206-5807. Or you may mail your offering to the church:

Kent Memorial
PO Box 155
Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

FACE MASKS are available on the table just inside the front door. Thank you to Kathy Fair, Katie Heaford, Cindy Mohling, Diane Reams, Nancy Williams & Joyce Wanamaker for sewing them for our members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE Preliminary information for May contributions shows that giving is down. Please remember to keep current with your giving, if at all possible. There is an option to make giving easier—automatic withdrawal. If you are interested in signing up for this easy way to give, please contact Al Mohling, 319-493-8796, or Gail Kruse, 573-286-0562.

MAY NEEDS AT COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST: 573-374-4425

If you are shopping, or shopping on-line, these are items we could use:

Paper towels

Baked beans

Bag of potatoes

Pudding & Jello in individual packaging (kids are home)

Canned fruit

Juice drinks

Bacteria killing wipes or hand sanitizer

Any kind of cleaner with bleach