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May 12, 2019

10:00 a.m.

*Please rise in body or in spirit

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

*INTROIT This is the Day Handbell Choir

Les Garrett Jane Wester, Director

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed.

One: Christ has breathed his Spirit on us.

All: Christ has given us new life.

One: Alleluia! All: Alleluia!

*HYMN Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us #187

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: O Lord God, from the moment in which I drew my first breath, you breathed your Spirit into my body. You promise that until my dying day, you will surround me with your care. How often I forget! How often I fail to trust that you guide me through all difficulties; you provide for me in scarcity as well as abundance; you comfort me in the face of threats and adversity. Surely your goodness is all around me, even when I fail to see it, or, seeing, fail to acknowledge your kindness. Forgive me, O God. Continue to have mercy on me. Amen.

(A moment of quiet.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: From beginning to end, and beyond the end of our lives here on earth, God has mercy on us. God sent Jesus into the world to teach us how to live and to love. When Jesus died, God raised him up to demonstrate God's own power and trustworthiness. Let us affirm our faith in the goodness of God that surrounds us each and every day.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He causes me to lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul;

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name sake.

Even when I walk in the valley of darkness, I will fear no evil,

For You are with me;

Your rod and your staff-they comfort me.

You set a table before me in the presence of my adversaries;

You anointed my head with oil;

My cup overflows;

May only goodness and kindness pursue me all the days of my life,

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for length of days. (English translation from Tanakh)

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

You are invited to bless those around you with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you."

*RESPONSE Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! (#591, refrain only)

WOMAN OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION

ANTHEM Lake Superior Prayer Handbell Choir

J.C. and J. I. Harris Jane Wester, Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL RECOGNITION Christy Willmore

GRADUATE RECOGNITION Christy Willmore

Roster of Graduates

United Presbyterian Church High School Graduates

*HYMN I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry #488

SCRIPTURE READINGS Marcy Price
New Testament Reading Revelation 1:4-8

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

SERMON Rev. Charlotte Frantz *POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

*HYMN Breathe on Me, Breath of God

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR MISSION Report from Presbytery

#286

OFFERTORY *PRAYER

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: O God, giver of all, bless these gifts and offerings that they may be used to do your work of caring for the poor, housing the homeless, feeding those who are hungry, granting dignity where there has been shame, and comforting those in distress. Bless both those who give and those who receive, for all gifts ultimately come from you. *Amen.*

TIME FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS TO BE SHARED

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER

*CLOSING HYMN Alleluia! Laud and Blessing #755

*BENEDICTION

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God! 'Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 5/12

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

Happy Birthday-Robert P

10:00 a.m. Worship

MONDAY 5/13

TUESDAY 5/14

4:00 Mission Committee Meeting

6:15 p.m. Softball Game 58th Street Field 3 UPC Vs. Darrow Road Church

WEDNESDAY 5/15

1:00 p.m. Caregivers Workshop

Happy Birthday-Pavid L

THURSDAY 5/16

5:30 p.m. Session Meeting

CSA Flowers Delivered

FRIDAY 5/17

Happy Birthday-Jenny O

SATURDAY 5/18

1:00 p.m. Comforter Ministry - Suzanne Hanson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING THIS WEEK

Mission CommitteeTuesday, May 14 at 4:00 p.m.Session MeetingThursday, May 16 at 5:30 p.m.

AFTER TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Please join us for a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the service. We will be honoring both the Woman of the Year and our Graduates.

DATE CORRECTION

Suzanne Hanson will be joining us here at UPC **on Saturday, May 18**th **at 1:00 p.m**. to speak about her Quilting Comfort Ministry. All are welcome to come and learn about this comforter ministry, which blesses women with cancer.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

The softball season has begun. UPC will be playing their first game on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:15 p.m. against Darrow Road Church at the 58th Street Field 2. Wear your green United Presbyterian Shirt and come join us to cheer on our team!

IN MEMORY

The congregation is accepting contributions for choir music to be purchased in Georgia Raun's memory. Contributions can be made any time during the next few weeks.

Happy Mother's Pay!

WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- Join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship.
- † Pick up a copy of *The UPBeat*, our monthly newsletter, from the table in the narthex.
- ♦ Call the church office at 715-392-4751.
- † Follow us on Facebook.

HELPFUL TO KNOW

- We have large print bulletins.
- We have hearing assistance devices.
- † There are children's activity sheets available in the narthex.

PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. Prayer Request cards are located in the pew slots in each row and on the table by the main entrance. Cards will be collected during worship service or may be placed in the offering plate.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

PASTOR
DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Reverend Charlotte Frantz Susan Litehiser and Mike Gronquist