Perry Hall United Methodist Church

May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

(**Stand as you are able)

WELCOME – RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ Please sign the Ritual of Friendship and pass down the row. When everyone has signed, please pass it back to the center, noting those on your row that you may not know. Be sure to greet them after the service! ~

ORGAN PRELUDE "The Last Supper" John Innes

CHORAL INTROIT "Psalm 68" Chinese melody

**OPENING HYMNS "In Remembrance of Me" pg. 2254 TFWS

** CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

P: let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

OPENING PRAYER

O holy God, we come to you as children. Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another in a new way. Amen.

CHILDREN'S STORY

**PRAISE SONGS "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

"Jesus Puts This Song into Our Hearts"

"I Give You My Heart"

"Be Still for the Presence of the Lord"

CELEBRATION OF OUR SHARED MINISTRY

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM "Remember Me" Cindy Berry

**SCRIPTURE John 15:9-17 pgs. 109-110 – The Gospel

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

THE MESSAGE "God Moves First" Rev. Margery Schammel

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set

apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

~~A time of silent confession~~

L: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: Alleluia! Amen!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Musical Setting A, pp. 17-18 UMH)

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing.... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All singing: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christin union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All singing: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

All singing: Amen, amen, amen.

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Please follow the direction of the ushers. You will come to the railing by the side aisles, going all the way to the center. When you are signaled, you will kneel (if able) and receive communion. When dismissed, you will return to your seats by the center aisle.

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**CLOSING HYMN "The Summons"

**BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

ORGAN POSTLUDE "The King of Glory" Dorothy Wells

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Children's Story – Pastor Margery

Acolyte – Sydney Lee

MESSAGE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

"God As Parent" - Romans 8:14-17

OUR PRAYER LIST

Danny Benner, those suffering with cancer, debilitating illnesses, addictions, those in war-torn countries, those affected by the bridge collapse, and those needing ongoing prayer.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Coffee Hour after service

Monday

Tuesday Scouts 6-7 pm

Wednesday Praise Band and Choir Practice 7 pm

Thursday

Friday Confirmation Class 6 pm

KC Dance 5:30-8:30 pm

Saturday Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm

Ladies Tea 12 pm

Folk Music Night 7 pm

Calling all ladies! Don't forget to sign up in the narthex for the **Ladies Tea** this coming Saturday at Noon! The men of the church are preparing and serving us, and then they will supply entertainment for us, as well!! You MUST sign up by this morning!!

Pastor Margery on vacation: Pastor Margery will be on vacation May 6 – May 13. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Denise Boyd at 443-787-8687. She will contact Rev. Daniel Montague, the pastor at Fork/Waugh churches, who will care for you.

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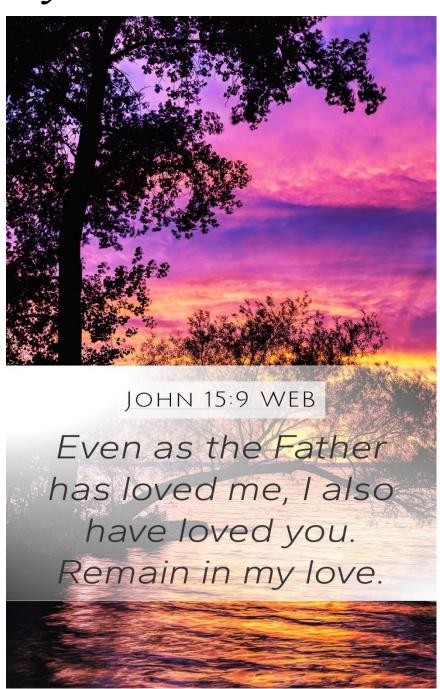
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