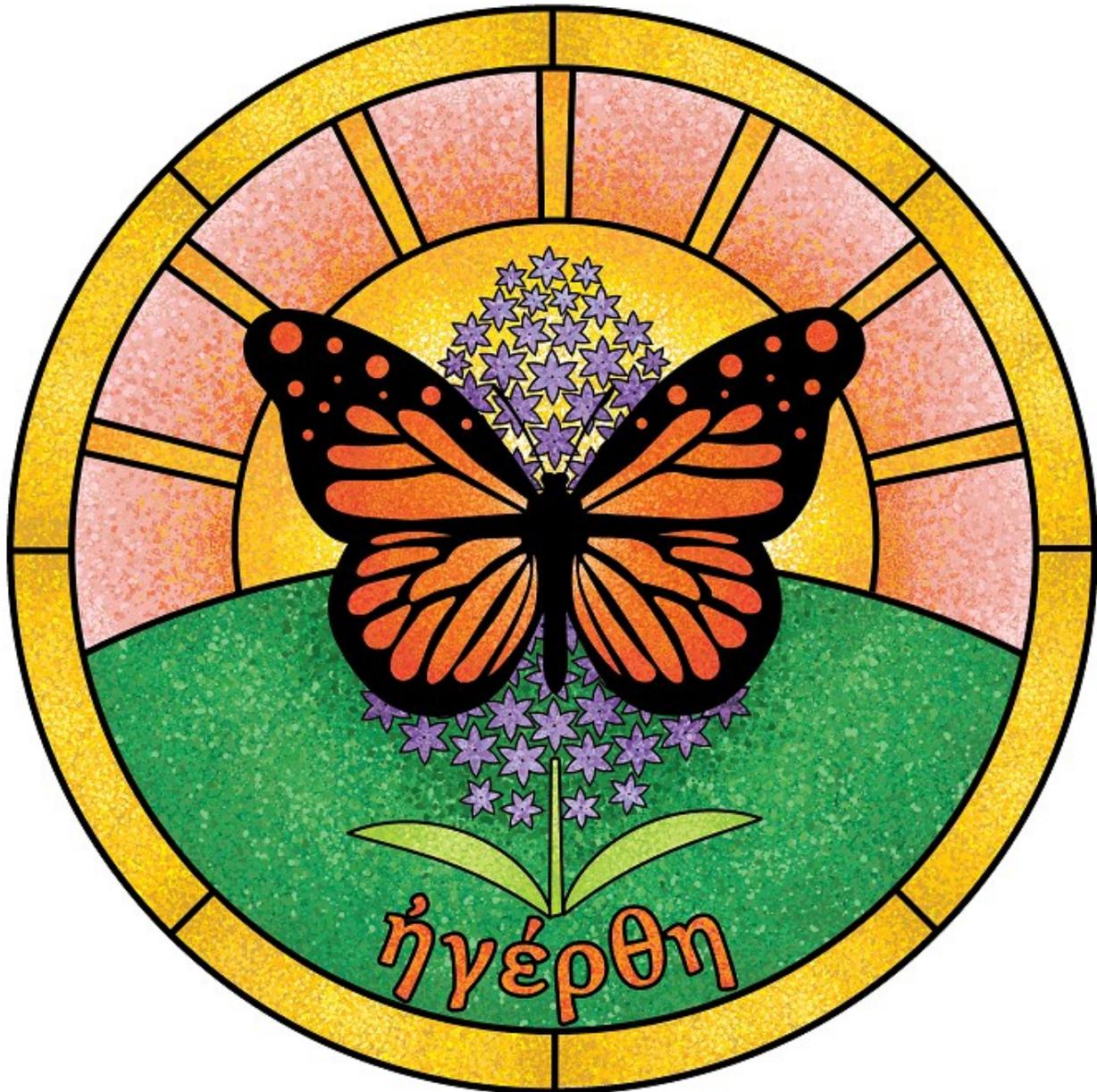


Our Worship of God

May 9, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Worshippers, as you prepare to worship with us from your homes, we invite you to do the following if you would like to do so:

1. Please get a candle that you have in your home and be ready to light it during the prelude as we light the Christ Candle in the sanctuary.
2. We invite you to send your comments as you watch the live feed on KBC's YouTube® channel. You may do so in the public comments on our channel, or you may text one or more of the ministers.
3. Finally, we gently encourage you to consider giving your offering through our online giving option at <https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/kirk211234>

Chiming

Welcome and Life of the Church

Taylor Mason

Gathering Prayer

Resurrected Lord, we gather in your love. You have brought us together. You have given us new hope. We are all thinking about re-opening our lives, returning to normal. Remind us to love one another as we think of such things. Let us not go back to the way things were. Let us love one another and make things better. Help us to live into your resurrection, a new beginning, a new chance to get things right. In the one who came to make all things new, we pray. **Amen.** — F. Timothy Moore*

Prelude

Allegretto
Georg Bohm

John Frank

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening of the Bible

Wendy and Dean Shaw

+Call to Worship (from Psalm 98)

Pastoral Leadership

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for God has done marvelous things.

The Lord has remembered us with steadfast love and faithfulness.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of God.

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for God has done marvelous things.

The Lord has remembered us through this long year in pandemics of body and soul.

**All the ends of the earth have seen a new beginning,
a new hope for living in justice and love.**

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for God has done marvelous things.

— FTM*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

(Refrain)

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. **(Refrain)**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin. **(Refrain)**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art." **(Refrain)**

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Dean Shaw

+Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Children's Sermon

Wendy Shaw

A Confession of Resurrection Praise

Kyle Damron

Where children have lost education may love open up new possibilities for learning.

**Where jobs have been lost and savings spent,
may love open up new opportunities for the future.**

Where racial injustice has created inequities,
may love advance systems of fairness and justice.

**Where despair has squeezed happiness out of life,
may love spring forth joy from deep within our being.**

Where death has entered homes this pandemic,
may love heal grief, honor the dead, and bring life from their memory.

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Remembering all that has been lost this past year, we renew our faith in God.

**For we believe in God, who created the world from nothing,
who brought order to chaos.**

We believe in Jesus the Christ, whose death was resurrected into new life.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who makes all things new.

Wherever life is taken away we believe in God’s resurrection.

**For in God life is the final word, not death,
hope is everlasting, and love conquers all. Amen.**

— FTM*

Anthem

Covenant Prayer
Karen Marroli

Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Illumination

Taylor Mason

Lord God, before this world’s days even began, your Word was in the beginning, and it was with you and it was you. The mystery of that brings us to our knees. Yet today you allow us to open your Word and know you better. So we ask that you would give us eyes to see and ears to hear. Give us hearts open to your Spirit as we seek you. **Amen.**

+Scripture Reading

Galatians 1:13-17, 2:11-21

Dean Shaw

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Matt Vandagriff

+Closing Hymn 689

The Church’s One Foundation

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The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation, by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, “How long?”
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

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'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore,
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

+Benediction

Matt Vandagriff

Postlude

The Church's One Foundation

Jeffrey Blersch

John Frank

*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
in memory of my parents, Bill and Peg Copeland,
by Doug Copeland.*

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