**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

 *\* Indicates, please stand if able.*

Seventh Sunday of Easter May 29, 2022. 9 am.

 Liturgist: Jim Hornby

WELCOME, PASSSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\***CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Blessings on you all this day, from our Lord Jesus Christ.
**P: This is the day of his ascension. He is seated on the right hand of God.**L: Honor, Power, Glory and Majesty are his!
**P: Let us praise him with shouts of joy!**L: We are called to be witnesses to this great wonder.
**P: We are called to proclaim God’s Good News of love for all God’s people. AMEN.**

\*OPENING PRAYER

**O Holy Spirit, You desire the salvation of all human beings and for that purpose You want all of them to acquire the knowledge of Your Truth. Grant to all of them Your powerful Light and Your Love of Goodwill that they may give glory to God in unity of faith, hope, and love. Send laborers into the harvest who are truly animated by You Who are the Soul of the missionary Church. Amen.**

**\***OPENING HYMN ***“How Majestic Is Your Name”***  #2023

CHILDREN’S TIME Paul Hoffman

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, we are “what’s next?” people. We want to know what we are supposed to do. We journeyed through the Lenten Season, stood at the foot of the Cross, witnessed Jesus’ Resurrection and his appearances to his disciples in an upper room and on the lakeshore. Now in this day we are called to wait. That’s hard for us to do. We want to jump into some kind of action. Calm our hearts and help us to wait for the Spirit. Forgive our impatience and our lack of faith. We place our trust in your redeeming love. AMEN.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus commanded the faithful ones to wait for the power from on high. Be patient. God’s love is given to you and the power of God will enable you to be witnesses for God in this world. Be of great courage. Be still. AMEN.

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Shon

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS

God has given us the gift of faith. Through this gift we see all people as God’s children. Respond to God’s generous love, that we may love one another as God has loved us. Let us share this love as we bring our tithes and offerings.

**\***DOXOLOGY *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* #95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon

SCRIPTURE READING James 1:12-18

MESSAGE **“Receive the Crown of Life”** Rev. Shon

HYMN OF PRAISE “***“Because He Lives”*** #364

BAPTISM *Maxton James McMahon*

 *Son of Nicole Marie Hertz & Jeffrey McMahon*

CLOSING HYMN ***“God Be with You till We Meet Again”*** #672

**\***BENEDICTION Rev. Shon

POSTLUDE Kathleen Peterson

**Today’s Verse: James 1:12-18**

 *“Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test,*

 *that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.”*

**SCRIPTURE: James 1:12-18** (NIV)

12Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

13When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; 14but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. 15Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

16Don’t be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. 17Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. 18He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first-fruits of all he created.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**RADIO BROADCAST:** The Radio Broadcast this morning is in honor of Edward and Vione Brauner’s 69th Wedding Anniversary on June 1, sponsored by Daniel & Jocelyn Brauner.

 **PRAYER FAMILIES:** Pray for all those who need healing, or have health issues. Specifically, pray for Karen Dolsey, Madyson Schultz, Nancy Iuliano, and Edward Brauner. Also continue to pray for those in Ukraine and other areas of the world who are suffering.

 **NEXT SUNDAY:** PENTECOST Sunday and Family Worship Sunday.

 **SCRIP CARDS:** When you are thinking of ideas for gift giving or personal use, consider Scrip

cards**.** Stop at the gathering area on Sundays or call Marcia at 715-284-3346 and see if we can

 help.

**MBTI WORKSHOP:** A workshop on MBTI Personality Types will be held June 2, at 6-8 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please register by May 29. Fee: $25.

**DISCIPLESHIP CLASS 101:** Will be held on Sunday(s) June 12, 19 and 26 at 10:30am. If you wish to become a disciple or become a new member this class is for you. Please register by May 31. Required for leadership. If you prefer an evening class, contact Pastor.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** June 10-13th. Green Bay.

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Paul & Robin Hoffman

**THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH: Monday:** Office Closed for Memorial Day

 **Wednesday:** Prayer Meeting 10:00 am

 Wednesday Connections 4:30 pm

 **Thursday:** Joyful Noise Choir 5:30 pm

 MBTI Workshop 6-8 pm

 **Saturday:** United Methodist Men 8-10 am

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