

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

Nick Dekay, Greeting Elder

Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

Jeanne-Minette Cilliers

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: Look up and see the heavens open to us;
sense the mystery of God's presence with us.

Many: It is our custom to gather, that God may uplift us;
God is our refuge, in whom we trust.

One: Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid;
Celebrate the good news: Christ is risen.

Many: We will not fear losses or suffering;
We are raised with Christ to new life.

One: Come to Christ, the living stone, rejected by many.
Come to Christ, chosen by God, and precious to us.

Many: We rejoice in God's steadfast love.
We are living stone of a spiritual house.

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

* **SACRED MUSIC** #475 "Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing" NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

God, so often, like those of the world around us, we have let the focus of our hearts remain on the despair of the Cross and the darkness of the tomb and we have failed to remember the joy and hope in Your Resurrection. Forgive us, Lord, and place in us Your wonderful Holy Spirit that we might become beacons of hope and joy to all. In Christ we pray. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed** (Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) #581 NPH

* **THE PEACE** (Response: "And also with you.")

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Peter 2:2-10

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No Children's Sermon; Children May Leave For Church School.

ANTHEM

SERMON

"Growing Into Salvation"
Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* **SACRED MUSIC** #463 "How Firm A Foundation" (vs. 1-3) NPH

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs as you exit the sanctuary following worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **SACRED MUSIC** #504 "We Come As Guests Invited" NPH

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(All are invited to share in the Sacrament of Communion.)

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Serving & Partaking of the Elements Together

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Bread in center cup is gluten, dairy, soy, and nut free.

* **SACRED MUSIC** #441 "Hear The Good News Of Salvation" NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION (Seated)

POSTLUDE

HaEun Yang

** Congregation standing; as each person desires.*

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Mackenzie and Brandon Bartley, Lauren Compton, Kelcy Larson-Reichhart, John Goetze, Jimmy Gibson, Doug Wingerath, Patti LaRock, Marcia Hayden, Bev and Jerry Findley, Bob Fraser, Wanda Renick, Mark and Nancy Brown, Carolyn O'Connor, Bill and Karen Parker, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Director of Music	Jeanne-Minette Cilliers
Pianist	HaEun Yang
Church School Director:	Andrea Montgomery
Congregational Coordinator	Linda Potter
Office Coordinator:	Christy Dekay

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 5/3/26	- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.) - Deacon and Food Offering - Communion
Wednesday 5/6/26	- Partridge Knoll Service (11 a.m.)
Thursday 5/7/26	- Choir Practice (7 p.m. Choir Room)
Saturday 5/9/26	- Brunch Set-up (1 p.m. FH)
Sunday 5/10/26	- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.) - Mother's Day - Mothers and Others Brunch (11 a.m. FH)

Birthdays: Matthew Gibson, Beverly Findley, Janet Stitt, Leah Sullivan (Monday); Melba Reinke, Edith Frazer, Bill Parker, Mary Christopher, Claire Fiese (Friday)

"Raise my Ebenezer" is a phrase from the hymn "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" meaning to set up a "stone of help" or a monument of gratitude to God for past help and faithfulness. It originates from 1 Samuel 7:12, where Samuel marks God's intervention, and functions as a reminder that "hitherto the Lord has helped us."

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick & the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.
Praise Him (God) all creatures here below.
Praise Him (God) above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father (Creator), Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.