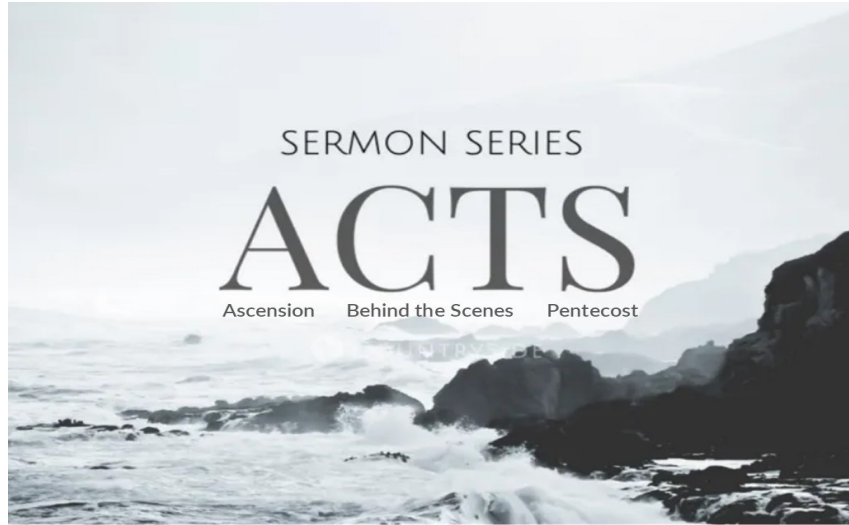


Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12th, 2024



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Mission Statement

“Ebensburg Presbyterians
are Christians giving help
and hope to all by sharing God’s love.”

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL INTRIOT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER: (Unison)

We gather together for worship this day to celebrate the One Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We thank you, almighty God, for the life of Jesus among us, and that he reigns in power for us. Strengthen our hope and bless this service today, that we may live as his body in this world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively) Psalm 47

Come and worship, people of God!

Let's celebrate with songs of praise!

For our God—the Most High—is seated on his holy throne,
Sovereign over all the earth!

All: Let's worship God together.

*HYMN #434 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (Red Hymnal)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen. ¹

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (Responsively)

The promise of faith is that we are already forgiven and, in Christ's name, given the power to rise up and subdue all that separates us from God and each other. Receive the Holy Spirit and be empowered to be a witness of God's resurrection power in Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!²

*GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST: (Responsively)

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please share the peace of Christ with those around)

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

CHORAL ANTHEM

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (Unison)

Gracious and loving God, open our ears and minds to receive your word. Pour the Holy Spirit into our hearts so that we can not just hear your words, but live them.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 47 P. 450

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 1: 1-11, 15-17, 21-26
P. 884

SERMON: "Trusting the Impossible"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #464 Morning Has Broken (Red Hymnal)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (Unison) The Apostles Creed P. 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (Unison) P. 16

INVITATION TO OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (Unison) Psalm 47

Holy One, we clap our hands and shout for joy! We give you praise and these offerings, for, with Christ ascended by your side, you are God, awesome and Most High! Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN #332 Lead On, O King Eternal (Red Hymnal)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able

While much of the liturgy is written by Pastor Danielle, often times other resources may be adapted or used. A noted selection of this week's worship liturgical resources come from:

1. The Book of Common Prayer
2. Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion: Liturgies for year B, Vol 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 12

WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM and on Facebook Live

NEW OFFICE HOURS: Monday and Wednesday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

SESSION MEETING, Monday, May 13, 2024

POTATO BEAD MAKING: Wednesdays 1-2 pm

PENTECOST, May 19th. Bring a red geranium if you would like to help decorate the church and grounds.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 7	Lucas Taylor
May 11	Kayt Makosy Williamson
May 14	Owar Ojha Ojulu
May 18	Alec Bracken
May 21	Ojha Owar Ojha
May 23	Kevin McKenrick, Chase Forberger
May 24	Neil McKenrick
May 26	David Sowers
May 29	Sarah Elizabeth Segear
May 31	Jim Stratton

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names to add to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920, email to ebgpresby@gmail.com or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

Elyse Betlar (Pine Springs Camp counselor)

Eva Tomb	Phil Brulia
Jim Estep	Walter Feath
Tom R	the O'Brien and Jeffers Families
Ar & Bill McKim	Claudette Segear
T. S.	Family of Carol Vaughn
Gloria Palko	

Our prayers are particularly with the family of Carol Vaughn, a long-time faithful and active member of this congregation, who passed away this past Friday, May 3. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Attention Families: Children's Bulletins will be available each week for youth of all ages. Some weeks they will follow the lectionary, and they are great conversation starters for families during the week. There are also "Busy Bags" located in the back pew of the church. Any kiddo is welcome to use them during the church service. Please return them to the basket after the service is over.

A few notes from Pine Springs Camp: They will be holding their Spring Work Day on May 11th from 8:30 AM-3:00 PM. They are asking for volunteers to spruce up the campgrounds for the season. Registration for this event is on their website. They also have an Amazon Wish List Registry set up online to help prepare for their Summer 2024 season. All orders will need to be placed by June 1st at the latest to ensure that they get them in time for Summer 2024. You can find a link for the registry on their website. <https://www.pinesprings.org/>

The Mission Committee will offer half-camperships for Pine Springs Camp again this year. See Amy Brulia or Martha O'Brien if you have questions.