



***Ebensburg Presbyterian
Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 29, 2022***

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THE SEASON OF EASTER

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE CHORUS Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively) Psalm 97

The Lord is king!

Let the earth rejoice!

**Righteousness and justice
are the foundation of His throne.**

His lightning flashes out across the world,
The earth sees and trembles.

**The heavens proclaim his righteousness;
every nation sees his glory and adores Him.**

*HYMN # 416 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Having defeated sin and conquered death,
the risen Christ beckons to us,
welcoming our confession and promising new life.
Trusting in the promise of the gospel,
let us confess our sin.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Holy God,
you have shown yourself to us in Jesus,
perfect in every way,
compassionate and kind,
faithful and loving,
gracious and hospitable.
We stumble and fall as we seek to follow him,
struggling to make his ways our ways.**

**Our sins are real, and they are many.
Forgive our failings
and encourage us to start again. Amen.** (silent prayer)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: (responsively) Romans 8
Neither sin nor doubt nor death,
nor anything else in all creation can separate us
from the love of God in Jesus Christ.
This is good news!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, renewed and sent!

*GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: (responsively)
The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also, with you.
(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

**Gracious God,
as we turn to your Word for us,
may the Spirit of God rest upon us.
Help us to be steadfast in our hearing,
in our speaking, in our believing,
and in our living. Give us the ability to clearly see
what you've called us to do,
discern your purpose in us for your kingdom,
and illuminate our eyes and reveal to us your glory.
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading Acts 16:16–34 Page 900
Second Reading John 17:20-26 Page 880

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Twined in Christ

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

CHORAL RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH —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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; on 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 and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 for-give 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.

THE SENDING

*HYMN # 564 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

*BLESSING AND CHARGE (responsively)

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace. **Amen.**

*POSTLUDE

***Please stand if you are able.**

Psalm 97: The Glory of God's Reign

¹ The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

² Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

³ Fire goes before him,
and consumes his adversaries on every side.

⁴ His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.

⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,
before the Lord of all the earth.

⁶ The heavens proclaim his righteousness;
and all the peoples behold his glory.

⁷ All worshippers of images are put to shame,
those who make their boast in worthless idols;
all gods bow down before him.

⁸ Zion hears and is glad,
and the towns^[a] of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgements, O God.

⁹ For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ The Lord loves those who hate evil;
he guards the lives of his faithful;
he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

¹¹ Light dawns^[c] for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.

¹² Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names you would like added to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

Father Pat Kirsch
James O'Hara
Gloria P.
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Tim Forberger
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