

7th Sunday of Easter
May 16, 2021

PRELUDE	"Pavane"	Gabriel Faure Dr. Brenda Clark
WELCOME		Rev. Rachel Vione
MINUTE FOR MISSION	<i>Pentecost Offering</i>	Elder Marilyn Fox
CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>from Psalm 1</i>	

We rejoice and praise Your holy name today, O Lord,
Because you have kept us from a destructive path.
We give thanks because Your word gives us hope,
And we reflect on Your word at all times.
You are the Source of deep-seated faith,
And our spirits are refreshed in your presence!

Hymn No. 23	"God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"	PLEADING SAVIOR
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*1 God, you spin the whirling planets, fill the seas and
spread the plain, mold the mountains, fashion blossoms, call forth
sunshine, wind and rain. We, created in your image,
would a true reflection be of your justice,
grace, and mercy and the truth that makes us free.*

*2 You have called us to be faithful in our life and
ministry. We respond in grateful worship joined in
one community. When we blur your gracious image,
focus us and make us whole, Healed and strengthened
as your people, we move onward toward your goal.*

*3 God, your word is still creating, calling us to
life made new. Now reveal to us fresh vistas where there's
work to dare and do. Keep us clear of all distortion.
Polish us with loving care. Thus, new creatures
in your image, we'll proclaim Christ everywhere.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow into your image; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Light of the world we pray.

Silent prayers of confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Response of Praise

Hymn No. 33, v.1

"Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show"

LLANFAIR

*Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia!
saints within God's courts below, Alleluia!
angels round the throne above, Alleluia!
all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!*

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 1: 1-6

Ron Mercer

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 20:17-25, 36-38

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"A Shore Called Heaven"

Rev. Rachel Vione

*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 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 and 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.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

Hymn No. 1, v.1

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

NICAEA

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

OFFERING

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ANTHEM

"My Eternal King"

John Marshall

Andrew Warren, Ariana Warren, Dana Warren & Marie Michalopoulos-Warren

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

**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.**

Hymn No. 846

"Fight the Good Fight"

DUKE STREET

*1 Fight the good fight with all thy might.
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life, and it shall be*

thy joy and crown eternally.

*2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;
lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.*

*Life with its way before us lies;
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.*

*3 Cast care aside; lean on thy guide.
God's boundless mercy will provide.
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.*

*4 Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.
God changeth not, and thou art dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in A Minor

J.S Bach

Flower Dedication

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Marcia and Ron Mercer in loving memory of her daughter, Jill Johnson DeCesare.

Please pray for members and friends of our congregation

For all those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus, essential employees who go to work so we can be safe and healthy, for those who are working to bring the vaccine, Phyllis Crowley (Dennis & Janeen Crowley's sister-in-law), Mona Treanor (Sue Van Deusen's mother), Brian Ohst (former member), Gayle Latchford, Beto Ortiz (Lisa Huntley's son), Todd Dobert (friend of Sue & Eddy Ebert), Howard Heckman, Jr. (Diane Lobaugh's cousin), Charlotte Tippie (Leah & Jack Fink's granddaughter), John Bailey (David Dickman's cousin), Carol & Tom Dwyer (friends of Diana Montusi), Richard Huntley, Christopher Winkler (Joe & Nancy's son), Justin Yoskowitz, Lou Schmidt, Aaron Thomas, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), Charlene Cosman, **the family of:** Joyce Schorn (Alan Schorn's mother), **those in Healthcare facilities –** Whisper Woods of Smithtown: Art Shaw, Sunrise Senior Living: Joan DeNigris, Atria: Ann Deery, **our partner congregations:** Nueva Paz, Cuba and Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida,

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