

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 26, 2019 ✠ 11:00 am

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Sixth Sunday after Easter*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Master Calvin and Miss Ella Harrell, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 100

Mrs. Nancy Freeman

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before Him with joyful songs.

The Lord is good and worthy to be praised!

Know that the Lord is God.

It is He who made us, and we are His;
we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

The Lord is good and worthy to be praised!

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;
give thanks to Him and praise His name.

The Lord is good and worthy to be praised!

For the Lord *is* good and His love endures forever;
His faithfulness continues through all generations.

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INTROIT

Worthy to Be Praised
Chairo

Byron J. Smith

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mrs. Freeman

+HYMN OF PRAISE 349

To God Be the Glory

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Rev. Anita Thompson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave,
full of grace and truth, and that we will help them.**

EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 1:3-8

Mrs. Elizabeth Hollingsworth

In Pew Bible, page 234 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God; **thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Thompson

SONG OF ASSURANCE

Ukuthula
Chairo

South African Zulu Text
arr. Kenney Potter

Ukuthula kulo mhlabe wezono igazi lika Jesu linyenyez' Ukuthula
Peace. In this world of sin, the blood of Jesus brings peace.

Usindiso kulo mhlabe wezono igazi lika Jesu linyenyez' Usindiso
Redemption. In this world of sin, the blood of Jesus brings redemption.

Ukubonga kulo mhlabe wezono igazi lika Jesu linyenyez' Ukubonga
Gratefulness. In this world of sin, the blood of Jesus brings gratefulness.

Ukunqoba kulo mhlabe wezono igazi lika Jesu linyenyez' Ukunqoba
Victory. In this world of sin, the blood of Jesus brings victory.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Thompson

+HYMN 186

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mrs. Hollingsworth

OFFERTORY

+DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

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

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GOSPEL LESSON

John 21:15-19

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 142 of New Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Dr. Gilliam

SERMON

Follow Me

Dr. Gilliam

INVITATION

It is our tradition to offer a time of response near the end of worship. A response may take the shape of a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and desire to be baptized, a request for church membership, or the sharing of a prayer concern or praise which may be communicated with the congregation or safely kept between the sharer and minister. Please respond as you feel led during the Hymn of Response.

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 496 *Footsteps of Jesus*

FOOTSTEPS

+BENEDICTION

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

As the chimes strike three times—in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—our corporate worship ends, and our opportunity begins to be the presence of Christ in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

+POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, and in memory and honor of our veterans, by Tom & Carol Jean Fretwell.

We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:

Babies: Scott & Lisa Outlaw
Ages 1 & 2: Jessica Brinkley & Georgia Copeland
Age 3 – Kindergarten: J.C. Doughtie & Michael & Billie Jo Harrell
Floater: Judy H. Pierce

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)
Associate Pastor Pastor

Mr. W. Bland Baker
Music Associate

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas
Minister to Youth & Children

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

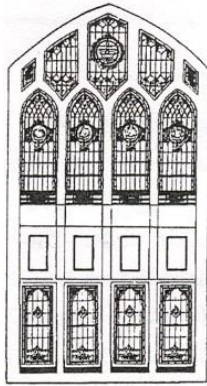
Eastertide



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A Window on the Weeks Ahead

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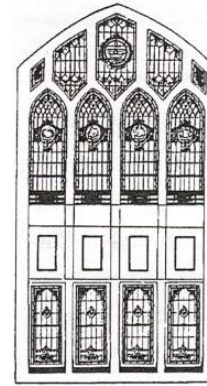
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