

“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,  
*you are welcome here.*”

**God is Still Speaking**



**A FUTURE  
WITH HOPE**

# ***ASCENSION***



***An Open and Affirming Congregation***

**May 8, 2022**

**11:00 AM**



*The Good Shepherd, fresco painting, c. 250 C.E.*

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**Order of Worship**

**PRELUDE**

“My Shepherd is the Lord” (Winningham)

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
CHIMING OF THE HOUR  
RECEIVING THE LIGHT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*please rise*

**Leader:** “In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.”

**People:** **We are those who have been baptized and have clothed ourselves with Christ.**

**Leader:** As a gathered company of the newly robed, let us worship God who, in Jesus, has provided for us this glorious raiment.

**People:** **Let us praise God for new life in Christ.**

*adapted from Galatians 3:26*

**GATHERING HYMN**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” *Glory to God 268*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*those who desire to kneel, may do so at this time*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Brothers and sisters, to us has been sent the message of salvation.

**People: Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!**

Leader: God raised Jesus from the dead; and for many days Jesus appeared to those who are now witnesses to the resurrection.

**People: Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!**

Leader: We bring you the good news that what God promised to our fathers and mothers has been fulfilled; Jesus is risen!

**People: Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!**

*silent prayer of confession*

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” *Glory to God 591*

## THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

*please be seated*

First Reading Acts 9:36-43

“For All the Faithful Women” **Vs. 1&2** *Glory to God 324*

Second Reading Revelation 7:9-17

“For All the Faithful Women” **Vs. 3&4** *Glory to God 324*

*please rise*

Gospel Lesson John 10:22-30

Leader: Holy Wisdom

**People: Holy Word**

## THE SERMON

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
**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.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES**

**DOXOLOGY**

*please rise*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**God of all power, you continue to work to reclothe the nations, to recreate the world of peace and harmony, justice and freedom that is your will. We make this offering to share in this work, praying that we, ourselves, may be increasingly transformed, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” *Glory to God 187***

# CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff has a 6/8 time signature. The melody is written on a single line. Below the notes are the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. Above the notes are the chords: A, F, D, E, A, D, E. The second staff has a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single line. Below the notes are the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. Above the notes are the chords: A, E, Bm, E, A, D, L, A.

## TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

### POSTLUDE

“In Verdant Pastures” (Norman-Cristillo)

### May Birthdays

5/8-5/14/2022

*Serena Wetherill (12); Nathaniel Cressman (14)*

### May Anniversaries

5/8-5/14/2022

*Lori & Chris Logan (10)*



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**Celebrating  
ASCENSION  
United Church of Christ  
175th Anniversary  
1847-2022**

**Please join us for our  
Anniversary Celebration!**

**Sunday, May 15, 2022  
11:00AM Worship in  
Ascension's Sanctuary  
1700 W. Main Street  
Jeffersonville, PA 19403**

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**MASK NOT REQUIRED  
BUT ENCOURAGED**

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*We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.*

*We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.*

<b>Ministers</b>	All the people of the Congregation
<b>Pastor</b>	The Rev. Dwayne A. Mosier
<b>Minister of Music</b>	Dan Weckerly
<b>President of the Consistory</b>	Liz Brunton
<b>Vice President of the Consistory</b>	Michele Luke
<b>Secretary of the Consistory</b>	Liam D'Aquila
<b>Moderator of Spiritual Council</b>	Molly Lorenz
<b>Elders:</b>	Liz Brunton, Robin Weed, Mary Lambon Molly Lorenz, Barbara Montague-Graham
<b>Chair of the Diaconate</b>	Michele Luke
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