



6th Sunday of Easter

Northeastern Presbyterian Church

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11-4 pm/Wednesday 11-6pm/ Bible Study 6:30pm

May 22, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service by Zoom/In-person



Welcome to Northeastern Presbyterian Church

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

WELCOME

INTROIT

“He’s Been Good”

The Celestial Choir

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP - (Together)

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

Congregation: sing the glory of his name;

Leader: give to him glorious praise!

Leader: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

Congregation: So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

Leader: All the earth worships you

Congregation: and sings praises to you;

Leader: they sing praises to your name.”— Psalm 66:1-4

OPENING HYMN - Insert

“Blessed Assurance”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hear, O Lord, and answer me; for as rich as I may think that I am, I confess that I am poor and needy. Guard my life, for I am devoted to you. You are my God save your servant who trusts in you. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I call to you all day long. Bring joy to your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to you in their time of desperation and need. Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my cry for mercy. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

O God of shalom, we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies, but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our brothers and sisters.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

PASSING THE PEACE

(Please remember to social distance.)

(Unmute devices and turn on cameras to greet one another in love)

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

Many: And also, with you! **Peace be with you!**

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THE DOXOLOGY

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Blessed are you, God of all creation;
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God forever. Amen.*

ANTHEM SELECTION “Grant Me A Blessing” The Celestial Choir

WE EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 119:97–105 (NRSV): Oh, how I love
your law!

97 It is my meditation all day long.

98 Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation.

100 I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts.

101 I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word.

102 I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

104 Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore, I hate every false way.

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach

2 until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen.

3 After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

4 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.

5 ^{For} John baptized with[a] water, but in a few days, you will be baptized with[b] the Holy Spirit."

6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.

8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

9 After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

SERMONIC SELECTION "So Many Wonderful Things" The Celestial Choir

SERMON

"The Forty Days of Teaching"

Rev. Dr. Willie J. Keaton, Jr.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison):

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

“I Need Thee Every hour”

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in Unison)

⁹ Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. ¹⁰ Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN - Insert

“God Be With You”

WE GO FORTH AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

BENEDICTION

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

POSTLUDE

FELLOWSHIP

Lectionary: Acts 16:9-15 and Psalm 67 or Deuteronomy 34:1-12 and Psalm 109:21-31; Revelations 21:10, 22–22:5; John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

Liturgist:

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

“God Be With You”

1 God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
may the Shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain:

Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet.
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

2 God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings, protecting, hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

3 God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

4 God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threat'ning wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GROUP BIBLE STUDY CLASSES: Every Sunday and Tuesday morning Northeastern holds bible study classes. Please join as often as you can to discuss and learn all about the words of the Lord. The contact information is as follows

Sunday Morning Adult Bible School
9:00am
Dial In # 267-807-9601
Access Code 828-160-800

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
10:00am
Phone # 1-301-715-8592
Meeting ID 644-590-8942

THE INSTALLATION SERVICE for Rev. Keaton will be held in June.

LITERARY CLUB SELECTION: Please join us on first Sundays of each month for the lively discussions on the selected book. Next month's book will be "**My Monticello**," by Jocelyn Nicole Johnson. Join us at 1:00 pm on Zoom for our discussion.

THE PER CAPITA FOR 2022 is \$42.67.

REMEMBER THE SICK AND SHUT IN: Remember the sick and shut in. With the Pandemic, many days of inclement weather, and other obstacles preventing us from visiting one another, a phone call, email, text, or card goes a long way to show others how much you care. So, bring sunshine and warmth to someone's day by reaching out. If you know of anyone who should be included on our Sick and Shut-in list, contact the church office with the name or names.

NORTHEASTERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT

As we rely on God's guidance, the vision of Northeastern Presbyterian Church is to fulfill the command of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to promote Christian faith and practice through evangelism, outreach, compassion and fellowship to our congregation and the wider community.

We commit to:

- **Worship**
- **Witness**
- **Learn**
- **Grow**
- **Nurture**
- **Serve**



Louise Mikell, Jacqueline Cook, Sylvia Samuel, Joseph Witherspoon, Shirley Wilson, Stacey Brown, Tommy Brown, III, Arlene Leggett and Cynthia Gervais

If your birthday is not listed contact the church office.

Our Thoughts & Prayers are with Northeastern Members & Family:



"Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me, and I will be saved, for You are my praise." (Jeremiah 17:14)

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