Sixth Presbyterian Church Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Sunday, June 1, 2025

Worship in the Park and Church Picnic



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Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Graduates

*Call to Worship

Christ has arisen from the grave!

He died and rose that we might have eternal life.

Christ has ascended to the Father!

He ascended that we might experience God's presence and power.

Today, we celebrate the ascension of our Lord.

Let us worship and glorify Christ the King.



*Prayer of the Day

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

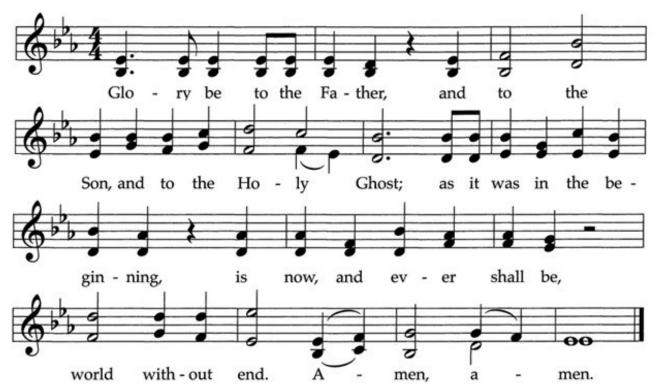
We come, O Lord, on this day of glory to confess our lack of trust. While we sing of your lordship over all creation, we have too often acted as though you are powerless in the face of today's events. Help us to live with confidence in your presence today, and in hope for life with you forever. Amen.

Silent Confession



Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria 581



*Exchange of Peace

Being mindful of the comfort levels and boundaries of those around us, let us pass the peace of Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Moment for Nominations

April Clisura

Prayer for Illumination

Blessed are you, God of all creation.

You spoke in the beginning, and all things came to be.

You spoke, and your Word came to live with us, full of grace and truth.

Bless this place where we would hear your voice.

Bless this place where we would hear your story.

As we listen, may our eats be attuned to you.

As the Word is spoken, may you speak to us. May all we hear lead us to you.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 93, pg. 675

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty;

the Lord is robed; he is girded with strength.

He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

your throne is established from of old;

you are from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord,

the floods have lifted up their voice;

the floods lift up their roaring.

More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,

more majestic than the waves of the sea,

majestic on high is the Lord!

Your decrees are very sure;

holiness befits your house,O Lord, forevermore.

Second Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23, p.234

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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*Hymn





Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving:

One: The Holy One be with you.

All: And also with you.

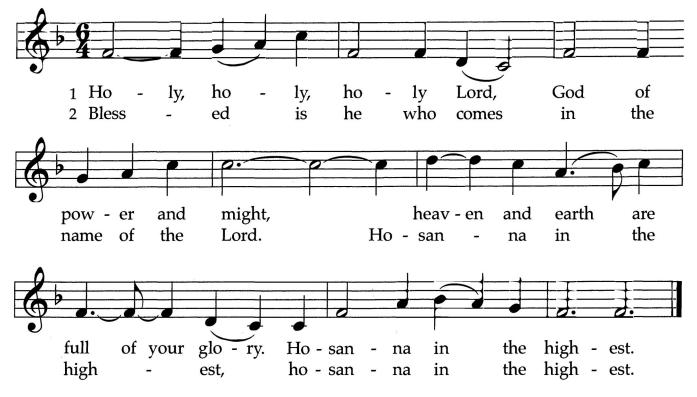
One: Open your hearts to the One who is Love.

All: We open our hearts to you, O God.

One: Let us give thanks to God who takes risks for love.

All: For the courage of the Holy that lives in us, we give thanks.

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with all the faithful in every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



One: . . . Great is the mystery of faith:



The Lord's Prayer

2019 Vatican Update

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; do not let us fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

The Communion of the People

Offertory Sentence

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. In grace and gratitude, let us offer up of ourselves and our resources to God in return. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia

Praise God, in Jesus fully known, Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

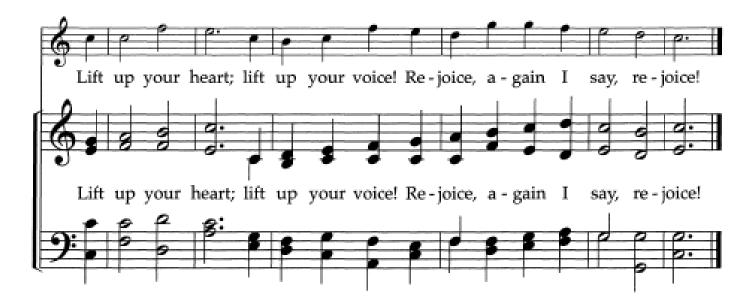
Hymn

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

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^{*}Prayer of Thanksgiving



Benediction

May the peace of our Lord Christ go with you wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you. May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.



*Those who can may stand

Church Announcements

Today's Service:

Sara Berg, Mary Lang, and Patty Halverson (ushers)

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Staff Hours:

Rev. Dr. Charissa Howe Off Fridays and Saturdays, Phone and email: (412) 960-1918, rev.charissa.howe@gmail.com

Jenny Newman Monday-Thursday, off on Fridays As her schedule allows, she will work from home on occasional days and can be reached by phone or email: (412) 720-6392, Jennyrunew@gmail.com

Shay Carter is off this week in celebration of her wedding on June 7, 2025. Congratulations, Shay!

Kelly Johnson Tuesday - Friday, 9am-2pm, officesixthchurch@gmail.com

Next Week:

Time Change Reminder

Worship moves up to 10am next Sunday, June 8th.

Pentecost Sunday is coming! Wear Your Red!

Don't forget to wear you RED on **Pentecost Sunday**, **June 8th**! RED is the traditional color for the Day of Pentecost, "symbolizing the fire of the Spirit that rested upon the faithful disciples of Christ, and gives life to the church in every age."* Red symbolizes the empowerment from God to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world.

The Meaning of Pentecost: Pentecost Sunday is a day to celebrate hope, a hope evoked by the knowledge of God through the work of his Holy Spirit. The celebration of God's ongoing work in the world is found in the recognition of the work done through His people as He pours out His presence upon them. It is a time for all of us to commit to a renewal of purpose, mission and calling.

In addition to wearing red, all are also invited to bring red foods to enjoy after service. Please leave them in the chapel before worship on the 8th.

*PCUSA, Liturgical Year, Supplement Liturgical Resource 7

Michael's Brother Recycling Pickup:

Next plastics pickup will be **Sunday**, **June 15th**. Pam Howe will transport. Please visit <u>sixthchurch.org</u> for instructions. EarthCare is listed under Congregational Life.

Upcoming Meetings and Events in (and around) the Church:

Sunday, June 1 (after worship)

PGH Pride March (12pm, Lineup in the Strip)
FiberArts Guild (1-4pm, Chapel)

NA- Keep Coming Back Men's Meeting (8-9pm)

Tuesday, June 3

Staff Meeting (10am, Office)

Wednesday, June 4

Bible Study (10:30am-11:30am, Zoom) Pgh Bridges OCD Support (7-9pm, Parlor)

Friday, June 6

Tri Lam (2-5pm, Parlor)

Saturday, June 7

AA-Turning Point (5-6pm)
PGH Bridges OCD Support (6-9pm, Parlor)
NA-Squirrel Hill Group (7:30-8:30pm)

Sunday, June 8

Pentecost

Choir Rehearsal (9:15-10:15am, Sanctuary) Worship (10am-11am, in-person& streaming) NA- Keep Coming Back Men's Mtg (8-9pm)

Rev. Dr. Charissa Howe, Pastor
Jenny Newman, Director of Christian Education
Shay Carter, Music Director
Harry Kirk, Building Administrator
Kelly Johnson, Office Administrator
John S. McCall, Pastor Emeritus