

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER JUNE 1, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.

Bold text is read by the congregation.

\*Asterisk indicates when to rise in body or in spirit.

Please sign the friendship pad so we may take note of your presence and you may greet your neighbors by name.





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### GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**PRELUDE** 

THE GROUND (SUNRISE MASS)

Ola Gjeilo; trans. Beard

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

JEANENE MUTCHLER

Christ is risen!

Stones of fear are rolled away.

Christ is risen!

Walls of prejudice are broken down.

Christ is risen!

Doubts are affirmed; questions are allowed.

Christ is risen!

Those who were pushed aside are welcomed in.

Christ is risen!

Life will never be the same again.

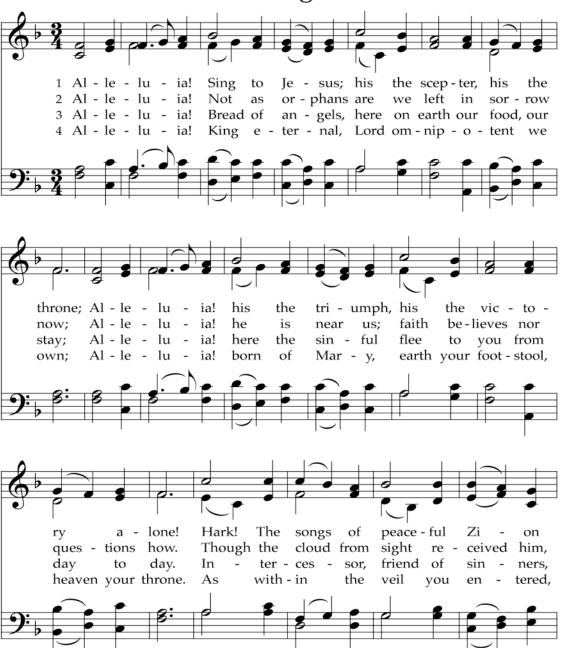
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

\*Hymn of Celebration No. 260

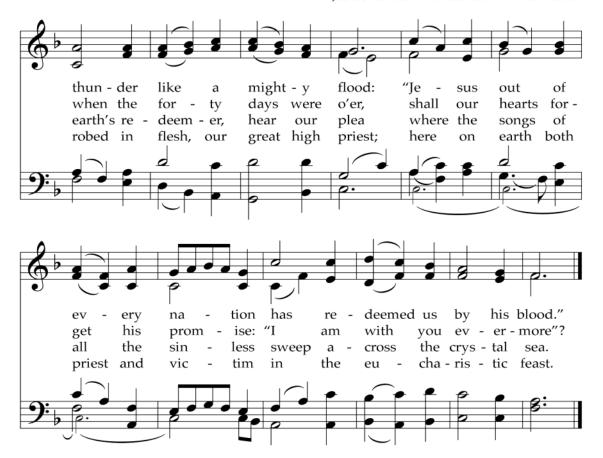
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ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

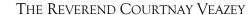
## Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



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God of resurrection power,

break through the locked doors of our certainty

to encourage our wonderings and our questions.

Break through the walls of our fears of others,

that we might make room for all at your table.

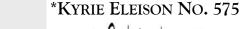
Break through our doubt and confusion,

that we might come to know your presence more fully

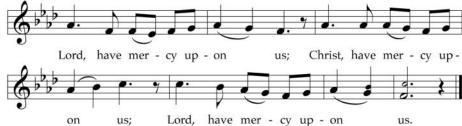
in our lives and in our world.

When we seek to judge ourselves and others for disbelief and questions, open the locked doors of our hearts.

(Silent Confession)



KYRIE ELEISON



\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON



GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

GLORIA PATRI





Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!









As children come forward during the gathering hymn, you are invited to pass your quarters to the center aisle for the children to collect for their offering. Quarters are sent to the Dougbe Presbyterian River School in Liberia.





At this time, three-year-olds to kindergarteners are welcome to proceed to the hallway with an adult and sign into Worship and Wonder.



Found on page 115 of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

The sermon is a reflection on the day's scriptures, suggesting implications for our faith and life.

#### HYMN OF GATHERING No. 240

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA! GIVE THANKS





#### TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

STEPHEN NELSON

#### 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.

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.

SHARING THE LIFE AND MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

REV. GALE

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE REVEREND MARY NEWBERG GALE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

IOHN 20:19-31

**SERMON** 

AND THERE CHRIST WILL MEET YOU: IN YOUR DOUBTS

SILENT REFLECTION



**Today's Affirmation of Faith** is from A Declaration of Faith.



During this time, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Online giving is available through Realm or through the mail. Those in the sanctuary may place their offering in the plate as it is passed.





## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**REV. VEAZEY** 

We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship.

Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us.

It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.

Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

#### OFFERING OUR GIFTS & TITHES

REV. VEAZEY

OFFERTORY

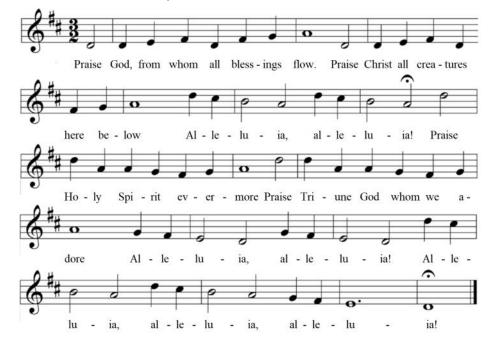
GRAVE (CONCERTO SAINT MARC)

TOMASO ALBINONI

\*RESPONSE

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



\*Prayer of Dedication

JEANENE MUTCHLER

#### THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

REV. GALE AND REV. VEAZEY





During the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving - the congregation is invited to sing the bold text, beginning with "Holy, holy, holy." These responses can be found in the hymnal: Nos. 552, 553 and 554.



#### WORDS OF INVITATION

#### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

...great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

...all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

VOLUNTARIES LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

JESU, JOY OF MAN'S DESIRING

CHANCEL CHOIR

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, love most bright;

Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned, striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying, round Thy throne.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

J. S. BACH

## SEND IN GOD'S SPIRIT



\*HYMN OF SENDING No. 246

Truro

CHRIST IS ALIVE!

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

REV. GALE

**POSTLUDE** 

CHRIST IS ALIVE!

Truro; Arr. David Lasky

Hymn No. 246: In 1968
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# this week in print

#### **Church-Wide**

**Pick up your Summer Semester guide** in the hallway after worship!

**Summer Worship Schedule**: From Memorial Day weekend (today) through Labor Day weekend (August 31), we will have one worship service on Sunday mornings at **10 am** in the sanctuary and online.

#### **Adult Ministry**

**The Art of Reading** (Tuesdays, 2:00-3:30, Room 303): We will continue our journey through "The Dovekeepers" by Alice Hoffman. Barbara Terhune will lead the discussion.

**Labyrinth Walk** (Saturday, June 7, 9 am - 2 pm, TK Young): The Tapestry Class is hosting another Labyrinth Walk, in conjunction with Pride Weekend. Whether or not you plan to come downtown for Pride, we invite you to stop by the TK Young room between 9 and 2 that Saturday and join us in prayer for the full inclusion of LGBTQ+ persons in church and society.

**Adult Forum** (June 8 is in the CHAPEL): Dr. Patrick Gray, professor of Religious Studies at Rhodes College will continue his presentation next week on *The Canonization of the New Testament*. Presentations begin promptly at 9, so come early for coffee and fellowship!

**Caregivers Support Group** (Tuesday, June 3, 5pm, Parlor) Joining us this month is Idlewild member, Anne Jones, to share her own story of caring for parents. We'd love to have you join us!

#### Outreach

**Room in the Inn** is a hospitality oriented ministry at Idlewild for our unsheltered neighbors. The Summer Season runs from May – September. Sign up to volunteer at the link below!

#### **Fellowship and Recreation**

**Mid-South Pride Parade and Festival** (Saturday, June 7, Robert Church Park): Join the Presbyqueerians and Allies at the Mid-South Pride Festival and parade!

**The festival** is from 11 am - 5 pm (\$1 cash admission). Idlewild's tent will be set up, so bring a chair, wear your Idlewild shirt, and dress COLORFULLY!

The parade starts at 11 am. Meet at 10:30 on the route. Look for our ribbon towers!

The church van leaves Idlewild at 9:30 & 10:30 am and returns at 1 & 2 pm.

The Presbyqueerians and Allies will have a table in the hallway after church today. Stop by to get more details, ask questions, and buy a Pride shirt (\$20)!

Community and Connection at the Redbirds Game (Saturday, June 21, 6:30 pm): Come to AutoZone Park for a Memphis Redbirds baseball game, dinner, and fireworks! The price per person is \$15 and includes both admission and dinner. Register at the link below by Friday, June 6.

**Pentecost Potluck** (Sunday, June 8, after Worship): Come together to celebrate the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on the Church! Our Pentecost Potluck is on Sunday, June 8, immediately following worship. We will serve fried chicken, green beans, mac and cheese, and rolls. Please bring salads, other sides, and desserts to share.

**Open Mahjong Play:** Sign up using the link in the *This Week at Idlewild* Newsletter or at <u>idlewildchurch.org/fellowship-and-recreation</u>.



#### **WELCOME NOTICES**

Welcome to Idlewild! We are glad to have you join us for worship. If you are new to Idlewild, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At Idlewild, it is our hope that all who enter find a home.

Children are always welcome in worship. In addition, childcare for children newborns—3 years is available in the Jones Building in Room 153. Children of all ages are invited to pick up a worship packet in the main hallway that can be utilized to enhance their worship experience. During the sanctuary service there is a special Time with the Younger Church.



After, children ages 3 years—kindergarten may go to Worship and Wonder on the third floor of the Jones building. If you would like your child to attend Worship and Wonder, registration is required once each semester by scanning the QR code. Parents pick-up children from Worship and Wonder following the conclusion of worship.

**New members are received by the Session**. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Connect with a Pastor after worship.

Prayer requests are prayed daily by the Community Prayer Ministry Team and the Confidential Prayer Partners. If your prayers are confidential, you may call (901-487-6062) or submit them by email to confidentialprayers@idlewildchurch.org. Otherwise, you can fill out a Community Prayer Request card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or submit them by email to communityprayer@idlewildchurch.org.

If you have a hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call or text (901) 654-6872. The Pastor on Call will respond as soon as possible. You can also email pastor@idlewildchurch.org.

#### **WORSHIP NOTICES**

**The sanctuary flowers** are given to the glory of God.

We welcome Barrie Cooper, Concertmaster of The Memphis Symphony, as our violin soloist this morning. Our guest artists are funded by The Cannon Music Trust at Idlewild Presbyterian Church.

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor, celebration, or in appreciation of those we love. We appreciate your generosity in providing flowers to adorn our sanctuary for Sunday services. If you are interested in donating, find the registration page at idlewildchurch.org/flower-dedication.

The 10:00 service is live at youtube.com/@idlewild.church/streams. As always, worship is available by way of the radio on AM560, 96.1FM, or 98.5FM. Music is printed under Onelicense.net A-702280.







#### MINISTERIAL AND PROGRAM STAFF

Ministers: All the members of Idlewild Presbyterian Church For staff phone numbers and emails visit www.idlewildchurch.org or call the church.

**Gary Beard** 

David J. Powers Pastor and Head of Staff Mary Newberg Gale Associate Pastor for Adult Formation & Care Courtnay Veazey

Parish Associate

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**Jacob Pierce** Director of Fellowship & Recreation

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