

May 10 2020 -5th Sunday of EASTER Worship @ Home Guide
Woodstock Presbyterian Church, 142 E. Court St., Woodstock,
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Easter Season Greetings!

*You are encouraged to use this as a guide for worship at home,
or as a bulletin during our online worship.*

Please scroll down to see Announcements and Prayer Requests.

*There will be two links on www.woodstockpresbyterianchurch.com to get to worship –
one is a direct link to the recording, available at any time.*

*The other is a public FaceBook Premiere, which will be active at 11:00am Sunday –
you will be able to chat with others who are worshipping at that time.*

The FaceBook page also keeps the video for you to return to at any time.

(Night owls, this is your chance to worship when you want!)

*Due to our love of neighbor we gather in Spirit,
trusting in our ever-present God,
who conquered death so that we would live in love. +Pastor Kate*

PRELUDE, GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME *

When we cannot see the path,
Jesus is the way.
When we cannot trust the voices we hear,
Jesus is the truth.
When it feels like death is closing in,
Jesus is the life.
So do not let your hearts be troubled.

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN – Jessica Jones

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.

²**Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.**

**Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.**

³You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,

⁴**take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.**

⁵Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

¹⁶**Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.**

HYMN **#321 "The Church's One Foundation"**

The church's one Foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is His new creation,
by water and the Word;
from heav'n He came and sought her
to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her,
and for her life He died.

The church shall never perish!
Her dear Lord, to defend,
to guide, sustain, and cherish,
is with her to the end;

tho' there be those that hate her
and false sons in her pale,
against the foe or traitor
she ever shall prevail.

Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.

O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with Thee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

+New Fellowship Time – see each other’s faces on ZOOM, Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00. Invitation and details in Monday email.

+ Bread of Life Food Pantry would take donations of paper products to redistribute to those in our community most in need. If you have any extras, please consider sharing.

+Where is your Mini-Jesus? Send us a picture of him with something RED from your home!

+ Join the Pentecost Party: Pastor Kate is collecting written submissions and short recordings to be used in worship May 31st. “What is ONE way you hope to be changed by your current circumstances?” or, “What is one dream you have for the world?” Don’t overthink it – just looking for simple, honest answers... (submitted to Lori or katerascoe@yahoo.com by May 25th).

+Face Masks still needed & available – drop of or pick up at box in church entry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

+ for Jade, cousin of Jessica Jones, ending cancer interventions and soon to be placed on hospice

+ for those who remember and mourn Sarah Defren, on the anniversary of her death

+ for residents of care facilities and nursing homes, especially Mary Gwen Long, Margy Boyer, Shirley Lynn, Louise Grinstead, Janet Einstein, and Sarah & Ben Nelson

+ for Joyce & Ken – friends of pastor Kate, at the loss of their child

PRAYERS

*Let us unite our hearts in prayer, saying,
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.***

For the church throughout the world,
that all who profess to honor the risen Lord
may be faithful in their witness
and courageous in their testimony to the way of Jesus;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For pastors, teachers and ministers,
that, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
they may seek to build the church upon Christ, the cornerstone,
and humbly lead in faithful service;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For the governments of the world and its leaders.
[especially our President and Governor]
that the nations may dwell in health and peace,
that good will prevail over strife,
and people of faith may freely worship as their hearts direct;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For rain and sun in proper measure,
and for abundant food and water for all who dwell
upon the earth;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For the sick, at-risk and those in need,

and for any who are oppressed by wounds of the soul;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For our neighbors
that we may live together in amity,
and that strangers among us
may find us to be hospitable friends;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For our enemies,
that their sins may be forgiven them
and that they may find your peace;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God,
your Son promised to grant whatever we ask
in his name.
By your Holy Spirit
empower us to minister to the world as
his faithful disciples
that our work may testify to what we pray
and show forth your eternal glory,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*We lift our prayers with our siblings in Christ around the globe,
praying as Christ taught:*

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 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

SCRIPTURE READING John 14:1-14

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe^[a] in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?^[b] ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.”^[c] ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know^[d] my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me^[e] for anything, I will do it.

MESSAGE “Dwell”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Belonging to God: A First Catechism - Approved by the 210th General Assembly (1998) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Question 1. *Who are you?*

I am a child of God.

Question 2. *What does it mean to be a child of God?*

That I belong to God, who loves me.

Question 3. *What makes you a child of God?*

Grace -- God's free gift of love that I do not deserve and cannot earn.

Question 4. *Don't you have to be good for God to love you?*

No. God loves me in spite of all I do wrong.

Question 5. *How do you thank God for this gift of love?*

I promise to love and trust God with all my heart.

Question 6. *How do you love God?*

By worshipping God, by loving others, and by respecting what God has created.

OFFERING

*The Church and the world need generosity now more than ever.
Out of gratitude for all that we have received,
let us lend ourselves to the glory of God and the love of neighbor.
Woodstock Presbyterian Church remains dedicated
to supporting our local, national, and worldwide ministries,
as well as keeping our full staff employed.
Every prayer and penny count. Checks can be mailed to the church.*

HYMN **#438 "Rock Of Ages, Cleft For Me"**

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy wounded side which flowed,

Be of sin the double cure,
Save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Beloved church,
behold the victory of our God:
Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Sin and death shall reign no more.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Let this place resound with joy.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God.

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