April 25, 2021

*This is the day that the LORD has made,*

*let us rejoice and be glad in it.* Psalm 118:24

**Prelude** *Abide with Me* Arr. Hayes *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* Arr. Clydesdale

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship** Psalm 60:11-12

**\*Hymn of Praise** *The Church’s One Foundation* No. 347

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.

Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’er all the earth,

her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;

one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,

and to one hope she presses, with ev’ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,

by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,

yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, “How long?”

And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,

to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end:

though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,

against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

‘Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,

she waits the consummation of peace forevermore:

till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,

and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

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.

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**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading Exodus 20:1-11**

**Prayer of Confession**

Our gracious Heavenly Father forgive us from each and every one our sins and renew our hearts and minds that we might bring all glory and honor to you. We give in to sin far too easily to our sinful desires. Help us to stand firm and guard our hearts from that which is

impure and unholy. Make us more and more like our elder brother, Jesus Christ, and encourage us along through those ordinary means of grace that you have prescribed in your Word. Speak to us in and through your Holy Scriptures, grant us mercy and peace through our prayers, and enable us to be reassured through the use of your sacraments. Keep us ever close to you, we pray, in Jesus name, Amen.

**Assurance of Pardoning Grace** Psalm 60:6-8 **6** God has spoken from his sanctuary: “In triumph I will parcel out Shechem and measure off the Valley of Sukkoth.**7** Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; Ephraim is my helmet, Judah my scepter.**8** Moab is my washbasin,upon Edom I toss my sandal; over Philistia I shout in triumph.”

\***Hymn of Thanksgiving** *For All the Saints* No. 358

For all the saints who from their labors rest,

who Thee by faith before the world confessed,

Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;

Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;

Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold,

fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,

and win with them the victor’s crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;

soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;

sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;

the saints triumphant rise in bright array;

the King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast,

through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,

singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**WSC 22-23**

Q. 22. **How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?**

A. Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Q. 23. **What offices doth Christ execute as our redeemer?**

A. Christ, as our redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

**Prayer of Intercession**

**Offering**

*Under Your Wings* by Schopf

\***Doxology** No. 731 Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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**\*Hymn of Preparation** *Heaven’s Gift*

**Sermon** Seriously, Don’t Be Afraid Luke 12:22-34 1. Anxiety & Worry

2. Settling for too little

3. How to fight coveting

Questions:

1. What keeps you up at night? Why?

2. How much do you spend on clothes per month? What does that say about you? 3. What is the Kingdom of God? How are you to seek God’s Kingdom?

4. If everything was taken away from you tomorrow and all you were left with was Jesus, would you be okay with that? Why or why not?

**\*Hymn of Response** *Trust & Obey* No. 672

When we walk with the Lord, in the light of His Word,

what a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will, He abides with us still,

and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,

but His smile quickly drives it away;

not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,

can abide while we trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,

but our toil He doth richly repay;

not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,

but is blest if we trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

But we never can prove, the delights of His love

until all on the altar we lay;

for the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows,

are for them who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet,

or we’ll walk by His side in the way;

what He says we will do, where He sends we will go,

never fear, only trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there’s no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Gloria Patri** No. 735 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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**\*Postlude** *Let All Things Now Living* Arr. Callahan

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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**Piano/Organ** Sandy Schoon **Female Vocalist** Becky Schoon **Intercessory Prayer** Nelson Schoon **Weekly Calendar**

**DATE TIME EVENT**

**SUN 4/25** 9:00 AM **Opening Exercises & Sunday School** (New Members & Kingdom of God)

10:30 AM **Worship Service** (available YouTube & Facebook) 11:45 PM **VBS Callout**

12:15 PM **Schoon Care Group**

**WED 4/28 9:30 AM Women’s Morning Bible Study** 6:00 PM **Congregational Meeting**

**FRI 4/30** 6:00 PM **Gretzinger Care Group**

**SUN 5/2** 9:00 AM **Opening Exercises & Sunday School** (New Members & Kingdom of God)

10:30 AM **Worship Service – Lord’s Supper** (available YouTube & Facebook)

12:30 PM **Youth Group** (Gretzinger House)

**MON 5/3** 6:00 PM **Hrivnak-Lindborg Care Group FRI 5/5** 9:30 AM **Women’s Morning Bible Study**

**Serving the Lord**

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|  | 4/25 | 5/2 | 5/9 | 5/16 | 5/23 | 5/30 |
| **AM Nursery** | Kathleen | Yon | Cordie | Felicia | Ashley | Lorrie |
| **Greeters** | N/A | Matt, Ash, Kyah | Alice | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **Treats** | N/A | N/A | N/A | Phyllis | Dar | Martha |
| **Serve/Cleanup** | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| **Audio** | B. Schoon | B. Schoon | J. Martin | B. Armstrong B. Schoon |  | J. Martin |
| **Elder of the**  **Week** | Nelson | Lindborg | Gretzinger | Hrivnak | Nelson | Lindborg |
| **Deacon of the**  **Week** | Jim | Jason | Matt | Jim | Jason | Matt |
| **Communion**  **Prep** | N/A | 5/2  Hrivnak | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

**Announcements**

⮚ **VBS:** Anyone interested in volunteering to help at our summer evening VBS please come to the call out meeting immediately following the service.

⮚ **By The Hand Celebration, May 20 (Save the Date):** GSPC will host a gathering for the By The Hand Club for Kids Virtual Celebration of their 20th anniversary of ministry to youth in inner-city Chicago. Join us in celebrating this uplifting Christian ministry. Live streaming 7-8 pm, preceded by a carry-in dinner at the church building. More details to follow.

⮚ **Annual Congregational Meeting – Wed, April 28, 6 pm:** All members, please remember to mark your calendars to attend the Annual April Congregational meeting this Wed. The purpose of this meeting is to review the ministries of the church and elect church officers, as detailed in the letter that you received. We will also have available the Ministry Sign-up forms for the next year. Please also pick up a copy of the ministry report booklet from your mailbox in the hallway. Additional copies are on the welcome table for non

members. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting in the life of our church. It will provide an opportunity for us to come together as a church family to look for the Lord’s direction, to support one another in this ministry, and to praise our God who loves us deeply and cares for each of us. Rides will be provided for those who would find it helpful. Contact Bruce Hrivnak or Jim Martin.