

Prelude "Come, Thou Fount" arr. Harold DeCou

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

Call to Worship

Sisters and Brothers in Christ, we come together to worship God who offers us freedom through our Lord Jesus Christ.

For Christ has set us free from sin and death that we might live to God's glory and praise.

We have not received a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear;

We have received the living Christ that we might be children of God.

Come, let us worship the Lord!

*Bible Song 225 "God's Covenanted Faithfulness" ELLACOMBE

*Invocation and 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.

Hymn 359 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (v. 1-3) DENNIS

Psalter Reading Psalm 50:1-15 (*Trinity Hymnal*, page 803-804)

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; and 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.

*universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Andante Mosso" W. Wedeman

Prayer

Offertory "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Carl Schalk

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer

Scripture Hebrews 8:1-6 NIV

¹ Now the main point of what we are saying is this: We do have such a high priest, who sat down at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, ²and who serves in the sanctuary, the true tabernacle set up by the Lord, not by a mere human being. ³Every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices, and so it was necessary for this one also to have something to offer. ⁴If he were on earth, he would not be a priest, for there are already priests who offer the gifts prescribed by the law. ⁵They serve at a sanctuary that is a copy and shadow of what is in heaven. This is why Moses was warned when he was about to build the tabernacle: "See to it that you make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain." ⁶But in fact the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which he is mediator is superior to the old one, since the new covenant is established on better promises.

Sermon "The New Covenant"

Prayer

*Hymn 306 "Jesus, My Great High Priest" BEVAN

*Closing Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Larghetto" Giulio Bentivoglio

Announcements for May 7, 2023

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Teacher Appreciation Lunch a success. You are the best!

The Diaconate and Session will meet Sunday, May 21st and our Women's Ministry will meet, Sunday, May 28th.

Scholarship forms are on the hall table. Please complete and return to David McCain by Sunday, May 28th.

You are invited to a baby shower and tea with the mother-to-be, Danielle Dhokai, this afternoon at 3 p.m. at Union ARP Church. Danielle is the daughter of Pete and Mary Beth Burton and the granddaughter of David and Jane McCain. Danielle is registered at babylist.com.

On behalf of the choir, we thank you for the recognition and flowers last Sunday. Paul & Choir

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 11, 2023

6:00-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 14, 2023 (Mother's Day)

10:00 a.m. - Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Wednesday May 17, 2023

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 18, 2023

6:00-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 21, 2023

10:00 a.m. - Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Session Meets in Conference Room

Diaconate Meets in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 25, 2023

6:00-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 8 – Scott & Kathy Rishebarger	May 23 – Andy & Sandy Bennett
May 10 – Lyn Gaston	May 24 – Ann Simpson
May 10 – Scott Rishebarger	May 25 – Reid Carrico
May 11 – Kathy Rishebarger	May 26 – Rob Dodson
May 14 – Alissa Smith	May 26 – Pete & Mary Beth Burton
May 20 – Nancy Bailey	May 27 – Mark & Debbie Bennett

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Order of Worship
Sunday, May 7, 2023



“By calling this covenant “new,” He has made the first one obsolete:” Hebrews 8:13



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.