

COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
May 4, 2008 – 7th Sunday of Easter
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude "*Concerto in G Major* " Andante Telemann
Marjorie Miller - Viola

Silent Prayer

Come to us, O Lord, and open our hearts to the moving of your Holy Spirit. As we prepare to receive communion this morning, help us to see how your saving grace makes us new and alive in our faith. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

We welcome you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Please sign the guest book in the narthex so we can send you a welcome packet.

Minute for Missions

Gathering of Prayer Concerns and Joys

Please raise your hand to share your joys or concerns to be included in the prayers of the people this day. You may also write your concern on the pink sheets and hand to the Pastor. Please mail a prayer card from the narthex to your loved one.

Centering Music

Call to Worship

Leader: Come to the Living Stone that was rejected by humanity but chosen valuable by God.

People: We come as living stones to be used in building the spiritual temple.

Leader: You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood and God's own people.

People: We proclaim the wonderful acts of God who has called us from darkness into light!

*Hymn of Praise #493— *“Dear Jesus, We Are Here”*

*Prayer of Confession (unison):

To be a disciple of Jesus means making a decision to follow Jesus. Please forgive us, O God, when we forget our best intentions to be like our Lord and love all that you have created. We are tempted to think only about ourselves or our needs. We created false gods of money, physical beauty, strength and self sufficiency. Forgive us for not looking to you, dear Lord, for a model of the godly life. Give us the strength to live out our calling as your children. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

Leader: The table has been long set and there has always been a place reserved for you.

People: Jesus Christ beckons us, “Come.” We are forgiven and healed.

Leader: Believe the good news in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Congregational Response: *“Gloria Patri”*

**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.**

*Sharing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: and also with you.

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Anthem: *“A Joyous Melody”* by Bob Burroughs

Alpha Handbell Choir:

Stephanie Willis, Ashley Banko, Lorraine Brown, Amanda Brown,
Alex Herzog and Andy Wilson

Confirmation of Baptism and Affirmation of Faith

We welcome these who confirm their baptismal faith:

Erin Eife

Kristen Woods

Stephen Wilson

*Apostle's 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; 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.

Old Testament Lesson: Joshua 24:13-18

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14

*Hymn #400 *"When We Are Living"*

Gospel Lesson: John 15:5-17

Sermon: *"Being Counter Cultural"*

The Rev. Katherine G. Killebrew

Litany of Presbyterian Catechism (instruction for membership)

Leader: Who are you?

People: I am a child of God.

Leader: What does it mean to be a child of God?

People: That I belong to God, who loves me.

Leader: What makes you a child of God?

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

Leader: Don't you have to be good for God to love you?

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

Leader: How do you thank God for this gift of love?

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

Leader: How do you love God?

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

Leader: How did Jesus Christ prove to be our Savior?

People: He sacrificed his life for us by dying on the cross. He showed his victory over death by rising from the dead. He removed our guilt and gave us new, unending life with God.

Leader: What comfort does the good news give you?

People: That I belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for my sake, so that nothing will ever separate me from God's love.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Offering

"You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give."

Winston Churchill

*Prayer of Dedication

Offertory *"Concerto in G Major"* Presto Telemann
Marjorie Miller - Viola

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (p.13 of Hymnal)

Prayers of intercession, petition, and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Communion of the Children

The Communion of the People

(Please hold the elements until all have been served)

The Bread (Please join in singing Hymn #599

"Jesus, Remember me")

The Cup

The Prayer of Communion (unison):

O Lord, we thank you for this sacrament which makes us new and strong. The bread which we break is the nourishment which sustains us. The Cup which we share is the forgiveness that cleanses us. Help us to be faithful in our walk of faith. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #525 *"Here I Am, Lord"*

* Benediction

*Choral Response

* Postlude



**Those who are able, please stand.*



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