

Doylestown Presbyterian Church
Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2024 – 8:30 am
Rev. Dr. Tom Kort, preaching; Rev. Becca Bateman, assisting

All Are Welcome in God's House

The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)

Prelude

They'll Know We Are Christians with Blest Be The Tie

arr. C. Tornquist

Call to Worship

We were once strangers to each other.

God drew us near.

We were once strangers to ourselves.

God drew us near.

We were once strangers to God.

God drew us near.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

*Hymn 310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

Prayer of Confession

God of all creation,

you have woven into every being an interconnectedness to you.

Yet, because of our sinful nature we cut ourselves off.

**Our belonging becomes taxing, neighbors become strangers,
and differences become suspicions.**

God, help us to draw near to you so that we might be encouraged

by the fruit that comes from our recognition of the order of your ways.

Hear us as we silently confess our sin...

(Time for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Congregational Response

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during the anthem.)

** Those who are able, please stand
Bolded text invites the congregation to respond*

Anthem

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

Logan Laudenslager, Jason Moore, Gina Ricci, and Eve Sheldon

*"If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever;
even the spirit of truth."*

Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 24:30-32a

NIV (OT)

New Testament Lesson: Galatians 5:22-26

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 191

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"What Color is Your Thumb?"

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

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.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*Benediction

Postlude

Voluntary, Op.6, No.6

J. Stanley

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New Life! The rosebud on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of Riley Jean Elliott, born on April 16, to Kelly and Robert Elliott, Jr.

Christian Sympathy. The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the friends and family of Bill Yerkes on his death on April 29. We hold them in prayer in their time of loss. A Service of Remembrance will take place in our Sanctuary on Friday, **May 10** at 11 am. There will be a time of visitation with the family prior to the service in the Celtic Cross Room at 10 am.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Michael A. Fisher by Trip Fisher and family; in loving memory of our mothers, Joan Hack and Verlie Roe, by David and Nancy Roe; and in loving memory of my parents, Eleanor and Edgar Holstein, by Linda Sheasley and family.

The Commissioning and Reception of New Members. During the 10:30 worship service today, the newest members of DPC will be welcomed into the congregation. They are: Claire C., George Coyne II, Karyn Coyne, Aimee Grace, Jared Grace, Edwin Guerra, Caleb Henshaw, Carolyn Loverdi, Robert Luczak, Christine Merry, John Merry, and Victoria Ratchford.

Ways to give: Offering boxes are located at the doors in the front and back of the sanctuary. To give online or via text message, click the "Give" tab at the top of our website.

In the spirit of worship, we remind you:

- To please silence your cellphones.
- If you need to enter or exit the sanctuary during the worship service, please do so by way of the rear of the sanctuary and side aisles.