



“WE HAVE FOUND  
*the Messiah.*”  
JOHN 1:41

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY**



*The ♡ of Ashland*

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# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

10:50 a.m.

## ✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

**Welcome and Announcements**

*Rev. Bill Pollack*

**Prelude**

*Max Jackson*

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*  
(Alan Viner)

**Call to Worship**

*Judy Fannin*

**L:** You are the Resurrection, Lord!

**P:** You are all goodness and joy!

**L:** We look to you for guidance. We look to you for instruction.

**P:** Teach us how to love. Teach us how to pray.

**All:** Teach us, Lord, how to help others see that you are the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

† **Hymn of Easter**

#250

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

† **Call to Confession**

† **Prayer of Confession**

God of great love, we clearly remember the times when we have thought you to be less than loving. We recall with pain the dark times in our lives when we could not see your light; nor did we seek it. We remember with remorse the occasions when we did not recognize the small pleasures of our abundant life. We confess that we have been quick to criticize and hasty to condemn. Forgive us for all that has come before and grant us grace to go forward in your forgiving love. In Jesus name, Amen!

† **Assurance of Pardon**

† **Response**

#581

*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, Amen!

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

**Children's Message**

*Lisa Stevens*

**Anthem**

*Chancel Choir*

*Christ Is Risen*

(Georg Philipp Telemann, arr. H H Hopson)

*Christ is risen, sing, be joyful, Alleluia!*

**Prayer for Illumination**

*Larry Wilson*

**The Epistle Lesson**

Revelation 21:10, 21:22 – 22:5 (NRSV)

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit, he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. <sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But

nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.<sup>22:1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb<sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.<sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His servants will worship him;<sup>4</sup> they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.<sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

L: The Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God!**

### **Psalm 67**

(Tune: Hyfrydol)

God of mercy and compassion, Lord of love, redeeming grace.

Let the brightness of Your glory shine upon us in this place.

Show all nations Your salvation, end our dark, long-suffering days.  
Cause our hearts with joy to greet You; fill the earth with songs of  
praise!

Sing with joy, the Lord is coming! God with us, Immanuel,  
Brings in triumph our salvation, death shall die, and life prevail.  
In the wisdom of God's justice righteousness shall conquer scorn.  
On God's head, the crown of nations; in God's heart, a crown of  
thorns.

Come, Almighty, now and bless us, Your great covenant renew.

May creation yield its increase, find its greatest gift in You.  
Every tongue shall call You blessed, every voice a welcome bring  
to the Word of God incarnate; earth shall bow, and heaven sing!

### **The Gospel Lesson**

John 1:35 – 42 (NRSV)

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,<sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"<sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.<sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them

following, He said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are You staying?" <sup>39</sup> He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and they remained with Him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed. <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon, son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

L: The Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

### *The Beginning of a New Day*

#### ✠ We Respond to God's Word ✠

#### † Hymn of Response

##### *Because He Lives*

God sent His son they called Him Jesus.

He came to love heal and forgive.

He bled and died to buy my pardon.

An empty grave is there to prove my savior lives.

##### *Refrain:*

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow.*

*Because He lives all fear is gone.*

*Because I know He holds the future.*

*And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

And then one day I'll cross the river.

I'll fight life's final war with pain.

And then as death gives way to victory,

I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns. [refrain]

† **Affirmation of Faith**

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Offering Acknowledgement**

Special Offering – CARES

† **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia!  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

✠ **We Are Sent in God's Name** ✠

† **Hymn of Sending**

#65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty. Hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;  
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
be Thou still my strength and shield.  
be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee.  
I will ever give to Thee.

**Closing Voluntary**

*Max Jackson*

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*  
(Paul Manz)

† **Benediction**

† *Standing if you are able.*

**SERVING TODAY**

Head Usher: *J.T. Norris*  
Liturgist: *Judy Fannin/Larry Wilson*  
Videographer: *Ryan Whitman*

**LAST WEEK'S RECAP**

Attendance: 63  
Offering: \$1,100

## THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, May 22

Poage Class: *Men of the Bible*, 9:30 a.m.

Armchair Theologians: *Mysteries of the Messiah*, 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

### Monday, May 23

Church Directory Photos

### Tuesday, May 24

Church Directory Photos

Session Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 25

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m. (Bob Evans)

Winchester Bells, 5:45 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

### Thursday, May 26

Men's Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. (meet at the church)

## IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### We Need Volunteers For VBS!



The CE committee is planning a one-day VBS on **Saturday, June 4 from 9:30 a.m. — 2:30 p.m.** We are looking for volunteers to

transport the children back to Bible times through storytelling, music, bread making, pottery, papyrus & pen craft activities. Other

volunteers are needed for public relations, food manager, costume organizer and decorating. Please contact Lisa Stevens (571.9761) or Jane Justice (329.2423) to volunteer!



## Schedule Your Photo Session Today!

It's time for a new Church Directory! The dates for the photography sessions are **May 23 and 24**. You may schedule your appointment today with the membership committee (located in the Narthex) OR you may schedule your appointment by following

the instructions below:

- ✧ Go to the Universal Church Directories website:  
[www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com)
- ✧ Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ✧ Enter your church code: **ky378**
- ✧ Enter your church password: **photos**
- ✧ Click on the Enter button
- ✧ Click on the desired photography date
- ✧ Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- ✧ Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- ✧ Enter your email address if a confirmation email is desired
- ✧ Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- ✧ If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- ✧ Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography appointment

## SERMON NOTES

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Week ending May 20, 2022

Cray Stephenson (Geri Willis' son-in-law)  
Mike VanHoose (Cathy Wilson)

### Week ending May 13, 2022

Pastor Bill  
Steve Corbitt (Pastor Bill & Nanette)  
Jean Fraley (Bettie George Frye)  
Family of Taylor Hollin (Jan Holbrook's uncle)  
Frank Kiser, Jr. (Paula Kiser's son)  
Stephanie (online request by Jeff)

### Week ending May 6, 2022

Bonnie & Barry Barbour

*Prayer requests will rotate off after three weeks. If you have an ongoing concern, please contact the church office.*

**Ongoing:** Derek Payne, Nancy Payne, Pollyanne Sager, Janet Winans, Ann Wiseman

**Morning Pointe:** Carolyn Graber

**Military:** Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, Dayton, OH, Son of Kris Adkins), Major Scott A. Brown (Husband of Mary Whitman Brown)  
Major Chris Potter (USAF, Germany, Nephew of Max & Lois Jackson, Bruce & Cindy Roe, and Roger & Pam Potter)  
Major Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, Don & Judy Lily's Niece)

## STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*  
Choirmaster, Organist: *Max Jackson*  
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*  
Custodian: *Glen Thomas*  
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

## SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Jan Holbrook*  
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Cathy Wilson*  
Treasurer: *Greg Willis*

2022	2023	2024
<i>Jan Holbrook*</i>	<i>Judy Fannin</i>	<i>Cathy Wilson*</i>
<i>Lisa Stevens*</i>	<i>Mitch Hall</i>	<i>J.T. Norris</i>
<i>Jim Wiseman</i>	<i>Ryan Whitman</i>	<i>Breck Tarr</i>
		<i>*2nd term of service</i>

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Building & Grounds: <i>Judy Fannin</i>	Finance: <i>Trish Hall</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lisa Stevens</i>	Membership: <i>Breck Tarr</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Mission: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>
	Personnel: <i>Jan Holbrook</i>
	Worship: <i>Ryan Whitman</i>

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