

Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church  
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
Sunday May 9, 2021

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Mark

Announcements

Dirk

Preparation for Worship - "Happy the Home When God Is There"

Call to Worship

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Sing to our God a new song.

**God has done marvelous things!**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

**Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

**Let the world and its people sing together for joy!**

Let us worship God.

Opening Prayer

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\*Hymn #132

**"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"**

\*Invitation to Confession and Repentance

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, we have not loved you  
or each other with our whole hearts.**

**Forgive us, we pray,  
and lead us toward wholeness,  
that we may be filled with your joy.**

**In Jesus' name we pray. . .**

*(A time of silent prayer will be kept).*

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Scripture Lesson - Psalm 98

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Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things;  
his right hand and his holy arm  
have worked salvation for him.

**The Lord has made his salvation known  
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.**

He has remembered his love  
and his faithfulness to Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.

**Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,  
burst into jubilant song with music;  
make music to the Lord with the harp,  
with the harp and the sound of singing,  
with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—  
shout for joy before the Lord, the King.**

Let the sea resound, and everything in it,  
the world, and all who live in it.

**Let the rivers clap their hands,  
let the mountains sing together for joy;  
let them sing before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.**  
He will judge the world in righteousness  
and the peoples with equity.

Musical Offering—"Grandma Walked With Jesus", by Dirk Grove and Erica Duffy

Scripture Lesson - John 15: 9 - 17

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: Love each other.

## Scripture Lesson: Acts 10: 44 - 48

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. **45** The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. **46** For they heard them speaking in tongues[a] and praising God.

Then Peter said, **47** “Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.” **48** So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

Key verse - ”Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water...”

Sermon - Foundations of the Church: Sacramental Living.

\*Affirmation of Faith - (From the Presbyterian Brief Statement of Faith)

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community... In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah, chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. Amen!**

Offering- *Your continuing, generous support of our Church during this time of national emergency is greatly appreciated. Please use the Offering plate at the back of the sanctuary for your gifts, or please mail your offering and tithes to the Church office.*

\*Doxology #34

\*Prayer of Dedication

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Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn #680

“Borning Cry”

\*Benediction

**\*Choral Response 11:00      “Closing Prayer”**

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place.

    Guide us and protect us, and lead us in Thy grace.

Wherever life may take us, as we go our separate ways,

Help us share with others the things we've shared today.

May the Peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ,

    His Son,

Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.

    May the blessing of the Spirit fill us from within.

God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again.

Postlude - “Stone by Stone, The Church Song”

Leading Worship:

Rev. Dr. Mark Englund-Krieger, Pastor

Linda Clark, Organist

Jim Richardson, Duty Elder

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

## 132 Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

*Unison*

G      Gmaj7      Am  
G      Gmaj7      Am

1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be  
2 When you heard the won - der of the Word I was  
3 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too

G      Gmaj7      Am  
G      Gmaj7      Am6

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you  
there to cheer you on. You were raised to praise the  
old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you

G      Am  
G      C  
G      Am7      D7sus      D7      G      (Fine)

were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.  
liv - ing Lord to whom you now be - long.  
through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.

C      G  
B      Am      G

I was there when you were but a child with a  
If you find some - one to share your time, and you  
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you

CHILD DEDICATION

Am D D9 G Am  $\frac{G}{B}$  C2  $\frac{Am6}{C}$   
 faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you  
 join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your  
 shut your wear - y eyes, I'll be there as I have

Bm7 Em A  $\frac{G}{A}$   $\frac{E\#m}{A}$   $\frac{Em}{A}$  D D7  
 wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.  
 vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.  
 al - ways been with just one more sur - prise. *D.C. (vs. 1) al fine*