
HEIDELBERG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
251 PERKIOMEN AVENUE, SCHWENKSVILLE, PA 19473
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - MISSION SUNDAY
SERVICE CONDUCTED ON FACEBOOK LIVE & IN-PERSON WORSHIP
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Today's Thought:

"As we pour out our bitterness, God pours in his peace." ~ F.B. Meyer

Centering Words:

Those who devote their love to God receive unending love and devotion.

** = Stand in Body or Spirit*

GATHERING TOGETHER

Ringing the Bell

10:30am

Welcome

Pastor Adrian

Prelude

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

Chancel Bell Choir

Call to Worship

Pastor Adrian

L: Jesus dwells among us, teaching us to believe in his name.

P: Let us offer God our thanks.

L: The Holy Spirit dwells among us, guiding us down the paths of life.

P: Let us offer God our praise.

L: God dwells among us, beckoning us to worship.

P: Let us offer God our worship.

Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Adrian

* Opening Hymn

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

#28

Holy God, we praise thy name; Sovereign God, we bow before you; all on earth your scepter claim, all in heavenly hosts adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs around are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with joys aflame: holy, holy is your name.

All the apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow; and, from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you, while in essence truly one, undivided God we claim you; so we gather reverently to adore the mystery.

* Call to Confession

Pastor Adrian

All who keep God's Word know God's love and live by it. But obedience is not easy amid all the world's distractions, and the gift of love is not incorporated into our lives without effort. There is a gap between intention and reality, a chasm we create between ourselves and God, and so we observe a time of confession. Confident in God's grace, let us confess our sin before God and one another ...

* Prayer of Confession – Silent Prayer

Lord, you know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So we sit here and wonder where you are. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered also, who feared. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love, we pray, in the name of Jesus. Amen. [Silent Prayer]

* Words of Assurance

Let the light of God's eternal love flood into your heart. Feel the healing presence of God in your lives. Accept God's love and hope for you. Hear the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

* Hymn of Praise

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (verse 1)

#210

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon the throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Christ who died for you, and to your risen Savior bring your thanks for life made new.

Mission Moment

Mike McCrea

HUCC Cub Scout Pack Committee Chairman

Hymn

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service" (verses 1,2)

#353

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Liturgist

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Scripture Lessons (NRSV)

Liturgist

Psalm 67

Pew Bible pg#460

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Pew Bible pg#1008

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

* Gospel Lesson (NRSV)

Pastor Adrian

John 14:23-29

Pew Bible pg#877

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

#36

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.

Sermon

"There Is Nothing Else"

Rev. Adrian Tierson

Special Music

"It's in His Name"

Soloist – Anthony Alvarez

SHARING FAITH & LIFE

Joys, Concerns & Announcements

Pastor Adrian

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Call to Offering

Pastor Adrian

Christ gives us his word, his peace and his love. In response to all that we have been given through Christ, let us share our gifts joyfully and generously.

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

God of generosity, we are grateful you do not give as the world gives. Instead, you give unconditionally and abundantly. As we offer our time, talent, and treasure, we ask that you might transform our efforts so that our giving might come to be more and more like yours. Amen.

GOING INTO THE WORLD

* Closing Hymn

"Go Forth for God"

#352

Go forth for God, go to the world in peace; be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace, in God's good Spirit daily to increase, till in the kingdom we behold God's face. Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;

Go forth for God, go to the world in love; strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak; help the afflicted; richly from above God's love supplies the grace and power we seek. Go forth for God, go to the world in love;

Go forth for God, go to the world in strength; hold fast the good, be urgent for the right; render to no one evil; Christ at length shall overcome all darkness with his light. Go forth for God, go to the world in strength;

Go forth for God, go to the world in joy, to serve God's people every day and hour, and serving Christ, our ev'ry gift employ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power. Go forth for God, go to the world in joy.

* Benediction

Pastor Adrian

* Final Response

"First Song of Isaiah"

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense and he will be my Savior.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Arrangements	Joan Lauman	Joan Lauman
Head Usher	Joe Giunta	Joe Giunta
Acolyte	Lily Waldron	Lucas Waldron
Liturgist	Eleanor Risell	Penny Berger
Song Leader	Anthony Alvarez	Anthony Alvarez
Greeters	Bob Messersmith & Susan Claus	Eleanor Risell
Technology	Doug MacWade & Brian Pippert Kaelin Godfrey	Doug MacWade & Brian Pippert Kaelin Godfrey
Nursery Care	None - Sunday School Weekend	Donna Lohr

Welcome to Heidelberg! Whatever your past, whatever your religious background, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome. Join us for a spiritual journey where God is still speaking. Enter as a guest, depart as a friend.

Today – Is Mission Sunday. We welcome Mr. Mike McCrea our Cub Scout Pack Committee Chairman. Mike will offer a mission moment and tell us about the Blessing Box and other pack activities.

Did You Know? – Individual Hearing Aid Devices are available from the head usher.

Did You Know? – Large Print Bulletins are available in the Narthex.

Youth Sunday School – Classes are held during the 10:30am worship service following the Children's Chat. Classes will be held TODAY and again on Sunday, June 5th, the last day of Sunday School.

Nursery Care – The Nursery will be staffed on the opposite Sunday's of Sunday School classes. The nursery will be staffed again on 5/29.

Next Sunday – The Noisy Can Offering! Bring your donations and place them in the container in the Narthex. This offering supports small projects around the church. It is also Ascension Sunday.

Graduates - If you or someone you love is celebrating a graduation this year, we want to know about it! Contact the church office by June 5th with the information.

Consistory – will meet for their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 31st at 7pm.

Saint Mary Flea Market & Food Truck Festival – Memorial Day Monday, May 30th 7:00am-1:00pm rain or shine. Come and shop Saint Mary Flea Market with over 40 vendors including vintage items, antiques, collectibles, crafts, furniture, art, household goods, jewelry, music, books and all sorts of treasures! Enjoy buttermilk pancakes for breakfast or delight in a Rio Bowl with acai, strawberry, banana & coconut water while you shop. Blendlife will feature all natural smoothies, acai bowls, grilled panini sandwiches & wraps, then indulge in Rita's Water Ice!

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Online Donations – If you would like to make a one-time or recurring donation to the ministry of Heidelberg UCC, we have a new and simple way to do that by credit/debit card or by connecting your paypal account right through Facebook. Just click the "Donate" button at the top right of our Facebook Page and follow the very easy steps. Thank you for your support and generosity.

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Ladies Lunch – Lunches are held on the 2nd Monday's of the month. The next lunch will be held Monday, June 13th at 12noon. See Diane McFarland to make your reservation.

Shop-With-Scrip – You can purchase gift cards from your favorite brands to use for your daily purchases and it supports our church and ministry. See Eleanor Risell for more information or to make your purchases.

New Members – If you are interested in becoming a member of Heidelberg UCC, please see Pastor Adrian. We would love to welcome you into our church family on Pentecost Sunday, June 5th.

VA Hospital Donations - For the month of **May** the Missions Committee will be collecting items for the VA Hospital in Spring City. Items needed are new baseball caps, new robes, Bingo chips (they don't have enough for all to play), and plants to plant around the center.

A collection box is in the Narthex and any cash donations will be used to purchase items. Please use the Chosen 300 bin located under the stairs for item donations.

Holiday Bazaar Meeting – **Sunday, June 5th** after the worship service. The Holiday Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, November 12th. We will have a church craft table and other opportunities to get involved. Anyone interested in helping with the Holiday Bazaar, please see Diane McFarland.

Vacation Bible School – Children ages 3 to 11, come explore with us at “Making Waves in the Deep Sea” Vacation Bible School! We’re looking forward to this exciting day and hope your children (and their friends) will join us!

June 26th from 2:00pm to 6:00pm at Heidelberg United Church of Christ.

To register for the event, please complete the Google Form found on our website (www.hucc.net).

Pre-Registration is recommended but not mandatory. This is a FREE event for the community! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate reaching out to Sara McDowell at 610-451-8518 or via email at Heidelbergvbs@gmail.com

Attention Youth and Parents of Youth grades 6-12 - The Board of Christian Education along with a core group of families is pleased to announce the restart of a **Heidelberg Youth Group**. Our first meeting will be June 12th from 4-6pm (dinner included). From there we plan to meet monthly, targeting the second Sunday afternoon/evening with flexibility for "special event" months. Join us for Fun, Fellowship, Faith and Food! For more information contact Steve Freed at stevencfreed@gmail.com or 267-372-1668.

Prayer Requests – please e-mail the church office with any prayer concerns and we will keep our prayer list updated.