

May 15, 2022 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements ~ Pattie Benoit

Prelude ~ *"More Love To Thee, O Christ"* (arr. Smith) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: Behold what manner of love the Lord has given unto us,

People: that we would be called sons and daughters of the Most High.

Leader: God showed his love to us this way.

People: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us and rose again, defeating sin and death. Amen.

*\*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*\*Hymn ~ "Because He Lives"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, you have shown your great love to us and call us to love everyone. For the times when we have chosen to not love our neighbors, our world, and you, forgive us, Lord. May we remember your deep love for us and may we reflect that love to everyone we encounter. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Responsive Chorus #240 ~ *"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #267 ~ *"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"* (v. 1)

*Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!*

*Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!*

*Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!.*

Offering Prayer

*\*Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (Avery & Marsh)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.***

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 148

Special Music ~ *"People Need the Lord"* (G. Nelson/P. McHugh) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ John 13:31-35

Message ~ "Love"

\*Hymn #366 ~ *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation #286~ *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

***Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.***

The Lord's Prayer ~ *in unison*

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 ~ *"In Christ Alone"*

\*Benediction

\*Response #232 ~ *"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"* (v. 4)

***Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!***

Postlude ~ *"Lead On, O King Eternal!"* (arr. Smith)

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The Faith Formation Committee invites you to join in our annual Appreciation Sunday on Sunday, May 22, 2022 following worship in the lobby for a coffee hour to say thank you to all those that served in Faith Formation ministries from June 2021 - May 2022! We want to express our thanks to all those who served in education classes, Vacation Bible School, Fall Fun Festival or other ministries that introduce Christ and/or encourage spiritual growth throughout the year. So, please join us after church for ice cream cake (compliments of the Davis') & fellowship with your church family!

**In partnership with CARES in Farmington Hills, the Deacons are requesting donations of 4-Roll packs of bathroom tissue (this size is necessary for distribution purposes) and Laundry detergent. These items may be dropped off in the lobby. The collection will continue until the end of this month at which time the items will be delivered to CARES. The Board of Deacons thanks you for your support!**

**If you have not yet done so, please consider making the \$32.00 donation to the Per Capita Fund. This is the amount assessed per member for 2022.**

**Vacation Bible School 2022 “Put on the Armor of God!”**  
Monday - Thursday, June 27 - 30 ~ 9am - 12 noon daily

Children age 3 years through 5th grade are invited to this year’s Vacation Bible School where we will be learning about **God’s provision, protection & equipping of his children for life.** We will learn to pray on every occasion & to stand firmly upon the strength & power of God. God provides the armor:

The **belt of truth,**  
The **breastplate of righteousness,**  
The **footwear of the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace,**  
The **helmet of salvation,**  
The **shield of faith, &**  
The **sword of the Spirit...the Word of God...**  
So that we might live victoriously for Jesus!

**Be praying about who you might share this opportunity with...**  
Your children, grandchildren, other relatives, friends, neighbors.  
Flyers will be available soon to share!

Registration will be opening May 24th.  
Cost: \$15.00/first child in a family; \$10.00/second child in a family; \$5.00/each additional child in a family

**Be praying about the possibility of you volunteering during VBS!**  
We are in need of people to guide the children through activities and to assist in specific areas!

**Be praying about sponsoring a child!** \$30.00 will provide 1) a toy set of The Armor of God, 2) an Armor of God devotional book to take home at the end of the week to continue their spiritual understanding & growth, & 3) an Armor of God t-shirt for a child.

**If you are interested in volunteering &/or sponsoring a child for VBS,** or have any questions, please contact Kathy Potter at christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church or at 313-719-8467 asap.

*In Our Thoughts  
& Prayers*

August Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton  
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone  
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips  
Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff  
Ray & Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don & Meta Tulley  
Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor  
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz  
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock  
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen  
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck  
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit  
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright  
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Duksay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham  
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet  
MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne; Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne  
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour  
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin  
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips  
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison  
Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank  
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

**Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.**

# Because He Lives 582

*Because I live, you also will live. John 14:19*

1. God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus. He came to  
2. How sweet to hold a new - born ba - by, And feel the  
3. And then one day I'll cross the riv - er. I'll fight life's

love, heal, and for - give. He lived and died to buy my  
pride and joy he gives. But great - er still the calm as -  
fi - nal war with pain. And then as death gives way to

par - don. An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.  
sur - ance, This child can face un - cer - tain days be - cause He lives.  
vic - tory, I'll see the lights of glo - ry and I'll know He reigns.

WORDS: William J. Gaither, b. 1936; Gloria Gaither, b. 1942

MUSIC: William J. Gaither, b. 1936

RESURRECTION  
9.8.9.12. with Refrain

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# In Christ Alone

## (My Hope Is Found)

Words and Music by  
KEITH GETTY and  
STUART TOWNEND

Steadily ♩ = 70

G D G A D/F#

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of  
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

G D/F# Em7 G/A D G D G

light, my strength, my song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id  
God in help - less Babe! This gift of love, and right - eous -  
world by dark - ness slain; then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious  
pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal

A D/F# G D/F# Em7 G/A D D/F#

ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on the  
day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He  
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

G D/F# Asus A D/F# G Bm7

love, cross stands hell, what depths of as Je - sus in vic - to - ry, no scheme of peace, died, man, when fears are the wrath of sin's curse has can ev - er plucked, when striv - ings were sat - is - its grip on me from His

Asus A G D G A D/F#

cease. fled. me; hand; My com - fort - er, For ev - 'ry sin I am His re - turns my all in all, on Him was laid; He is mine, or calls me home, here in the here in the bought with the here in the

G D/F# Em7 G/A D Am7

love of Christ death of Christ pre - cious blood pow'r of Christ I stand. I live. of Christ. I'll stand!

Em7 D A7sus D

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

# 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to  
 2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy  
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;  
 find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.