



May 1, 2016
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Communion & Confirmation

Summerville Presbyterian Church

CONFIRMANDS

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WELCOME. We are a compassionate Christian community fostering a personal connection with God for people of all ages and expressing God's love through worship, education, mission, music and fellowship.

We're glad to gather together as a community of faith today. No matter where you are on the journey of faith, you are welcome here to join in worship and service. If you are new to this community of faith, we rejoice in your presence with us. Remember, we're not strangers, but rather friends who journey together, following the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are a newcomer, we invite you to sign the pew pad.

HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video console at the rear of the sanctuary.

MISS A WORSHIP SERVICE? Services are recorded every week. A CD-R is available upon request by contacting the church office at 342-4242.

Rev. Mouser can be reached by cell at 519-5280,
or by email at pastorcarson@summervillechurch.org

***Pastor's Office Hours: Monday & Wednesdays from 1-3
Please call ahead.
Office Hours are 8:30-4:30 on Monday & Wednesdays and
8:30-12:30 on Thursday.***

GREETER: JOYCE STIFFLER **USHER:** SARAH GUERESCHI

YOUTH GREETER: CORINNE CUMMINGS **ACOLYTE:** JOEY REGISTER

COMMUNION: ALLISON CUBITT, JEN DEVOE, MIKE JAMES

TRANSPORTATION NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 8TH
, IS PROVIDED BY BILL CARTER. PLEASE CALL HIM TO ARRANGE A RIDE AT 585-392-1183.

Please join us for Confirmation celebration after the worship service. Your host is BETSY STRYKER.

Order of Worship

*those who are able, please stand

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 507

“What a Friend We Have In Jesus”

WHAT A FRIEND

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE

CENTERING PRAYER IN SILENCE

It is a joy to gather beside your river of life, O God: to bask in the refreshing breeze of your spirit, to enjoy the warmth of your love, to find ourselves surrounded by the sounds of your loving presence, and to enjoy the fruits of your goodness. Help us to find such a place in our daily lives, and to share its joy with others. Amen

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ERIC LEAVITT

One: Friends, let us gather at the city of God.

All: **Here God comes to dwell in our midst.**

One: There will be no sun or moon,

All: **for the glory of God will be all the light we need.**

One: There will be no night,

All: **and the doors will never be shut.**

One: The river of life flows through that city,

All: **and we will dwell there in the presence of God forever.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

JOEY REGISTER

God's love for us is so amazing, it embraces us and empowers us to be honest about our lives and our need of God's grace. Pray with me.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

JOEY REGISTER

One: Loving God, we are aware of a long history in which the church has gone forth – often with the best of intentions – but in our zeal and excitement we have betrayed our own story and our integrity.

All: Forgive us, God.

One: For those times when we confused the ways of our culture with the ways of Christ,

All: forgive us, God.

One: For those times when we put up our hands and said, “Don’t tell us your stories – we do not want to hear them,”

All: forgive us, God.

One: For those times when we told people their history, their language, their identity was wrong,

All: forgive us, God.

One: For those times when we allowed no room for other thoughts, but only projected our limited views of your amazing and boundless love,

All: forgive us, God. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

REV. DR. CARSON O. MOUSER

Shortly before leaving this world, Jesus said to the disciples: “Peace I leave with you. My peace I give you. I give to you not as the world gives; so don’t be troubled or afraid.” Know that we need never fear God, but in love can enjoy the gracious fruits of God’s constant forgiveness. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 67

KATHARINE MAYER

ANTHEM

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts of the Apostles 16:9-15

BARBIE SMITH

SERMON The Confirmation Class Faith Statements

HYMN #377 in Presbyterian Hymnal

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: *Johnia Rispoli, Brandon Orr, Giovanni Paig-Mota*

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

APOSTLE’S CREED II (p. 566 in Rejoice Hymnal)

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Invitation

Friends of God, come to this place of sacred shelter.
Come to this place of wonderment and belonging.
Come to this place of healing and renewed strength.
Gladly come and share in the mystery
of God’s enfolding love for you and the entire world.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May the grace and peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Around this table of welcome
and before these earthy symbols of bread and wine,
we offer thanks, O God:

**In you is our refuge,
through you is our courage to be.**

For often we feel like fallen leaves,
tossed about by cold winds of emotion

and rising storms of fear
making us ungrounded,
without center or stability of heart:
**In you is our refuge,
through you is our courage to be.**

By your indwelling Spirit,
may this bread of nourishment
and this wine of joy
be our vigor and vitality
as we journey through Lent;
our common journey
into wholeness and compassion:
**In you is our refuge,
through you is our courage to be.
Thanks be to God. Amen!**

Community of Christ,
we gather as friends,
knowing the many strains of living
and the weariness it sometimes brings.
We know what it means
to be dry and dispirited
like the prophet's valley of dry bones.

Yet we also know
the replenishing power of spirited love.
We know how affirmation,
belief and forgiveness
can raise us up to new possibilities
and choices for the common good.

And so again we pray
that the Spirit of Life
moves before us
and stirs within us
through the eating of this bread
and the drinking of this wine.
May the Spirit renew us in our hearts
and embolden us in our souls. Amen.

Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup

Communion of God's People with God

Prayer After Communion

You've come very near to us, O God ...

so close our eyes have seen visions of your Commonwealth!

so close our ears have heard new truths;

so close our hearts have been expanded in their capacity to know and give love;

so close that our spirits yearn to be in conspiracy with you.

**As you have renewed us with bread and wine,
so, now, send us forth to serve you with all that we
have and all that we are.**

In Jesus' name, so let it be

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY – HYMN NO. 556

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

GIO PAIG-MOTA

Loving God, we know that ministry is not something we do for others nearly so much as it is a life-giving work you call us to do with others. Use these gifts and our talents, blended with the gifts and talents of others around the world, to make a difference in our lives and the lives of others. Amen.

***HYMN # 429 in Presbyterian Hymnal**

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEVOTION FOR THE WEEK: Opportunities for ministry arise when faith confronts powers that oppress, when we cannot walk away from situations of pressing need. Where does God call us to bring freedom and compassion, to seek for the common good? To live in Christ challenges us to engage in mission. To dwell in the Spirit renews us with waters of life. We trust God's power to deliver. ***Scriptures: Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 12:12-14, 16-17, 20-21, John 17:20-26.***

CSA: Brochures available on the Deacon's credenza outside the Sanctuary

Get farm fresh vegetables and fruit delivered right to the church this summer! Wickham Farms offers a wide variety of high quality produce, fresh from their fields in Penfield as part of their Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. Purchase a share of the farm's harvest and eat local mid-June through mid-October.

Their Grab & Go share option is designed for couples, single vegetarians, people new to the CSA experience, and busy people with limited time. It's a smaller share, including six to 10 items, with emphasis on more common crops. The vegetables and fruits are pre-packed in convenient fold-down bins, making it easy for everyone to experience a CSA. When the harvest begins, pick up your own Grab & Go Vegetable Share on Tuesdays from 4 - 7pm at the Ontario View entrance of the Church. The price is \$435 for 18 weeks of produce. Visit <http://www.wickhamfarms.com/CSA-On-Farm-Shares.php> to learn more and to sign up.

Youth Group News

(Grades 6-12)

- **Youth Night at the Drive-In in Avon:** Friday, May 13th , meet at church at 6:30 p.m., Cost for 2 movies is \$9/person.



CALENDAR of EVENTS

Sunday, May 1st

9:00 am
10:00 am
11:15 am
11:30 am

Confirmation & Communion

Session Meeting	Memorial Lounge
Worship	Sanctuary
Confirmation Celebration	Fellowship Hall
Annual Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Monday, May 2nd

6:00 pm
6:30 pm

AA	Rooms 10/14
Deacons Meeting	Memorial Lounge

Wednesday, May 4th

10:30 am
6:30 pm
7:30 pm

Staff Meeting	Memorial Lounge
Bells Practice	Fellowship Hall
Choir	Room 13

Thursday, May 5th

7:00 pm

Property	Memorial Lounge
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Next Sunday, May 8th

10:00 am
10:15 am
11:15 am

Mother's Day and Homes Offering

Worship	Sanctuary
Children's Workshop	
Celebrate our Mothers	Fellowship Hall