

Talbott Cumberland Presbyterian Church

“Together Calling People to Christ”

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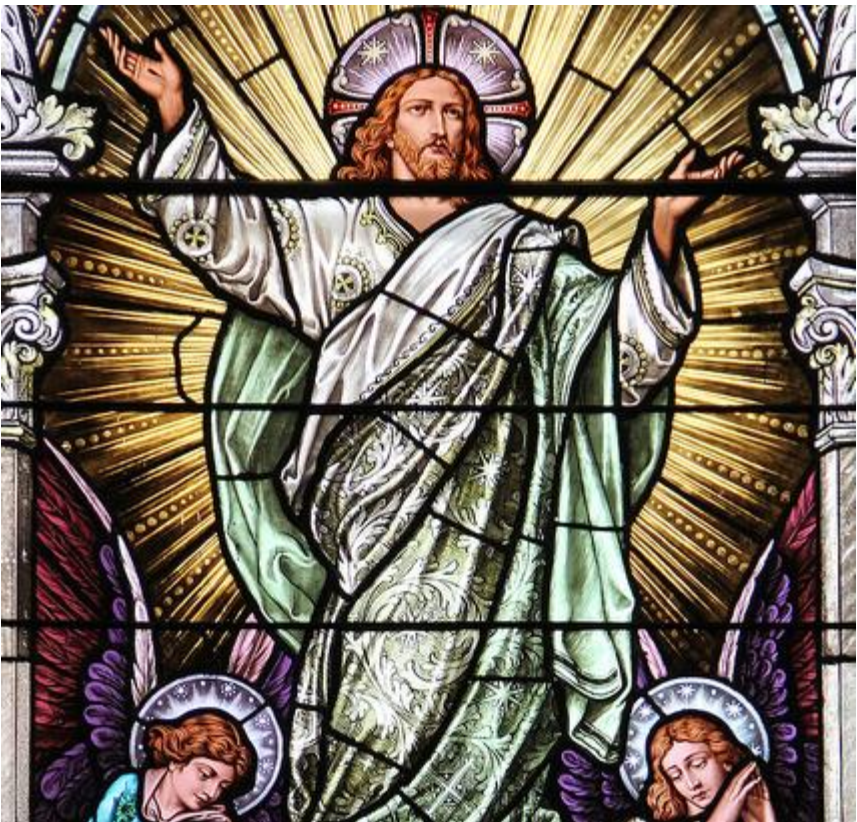
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Dr. Karen Borchert, Guest Minister
Lonnie Knight, Music Director/Organist

The Ascension of Christ
Memorial Day Weekend
May 28, 2017
Morning Worship 11:00 AM



GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

Interlude

Carolyn McClane, pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Jeanie Saunders, Worship Leader

Ringling of the Chimes

The sounding of the chimes, representing God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is an invitation to prepare for worship through this time of silent reflection and meditation.

Prelude

arr. D. Hustad

Fanfare on “Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise”

Bringing of the Light

Conner Rollins, acolyte
Todd Greene, crucifer

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

***Call to Worship**

One: Clap your hands and shout for joy.

All: For the Lord God is an awesome God.

One: God rules over heaven and earth.

All: God rules to bring us new life.

One: God sends the Spirit of Christ,

All: To take us to the ends of the earth.

One: Lead your church, O Holy Spirit,

All: Make us bold in our witness to our Lord Jesus Christ.

One: Teach us your ways; give us your wisdom,

All: That we bring healing and hope in Jesus' name.

*** Hymn of Praise No. 258**

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“Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise”

*Affirmation of Faith

One: Christians, what do we believe as Cumberland Presbyterians?

All: We believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and 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, dead and buried; He descended to the grave. The third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, where He shall sit at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from where He shall judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the everlasting life.

Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Greatorex

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gloria Patri. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men."

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

(In Unison)

Our Father which 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.

Musical Response No. 629

(Choir & Congregation)

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Assurance of Pardon

I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Brothers and sisters, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

OUR WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory

“Sweet Hour Of Prayer”

arr. L. Smith

*The Doxology

Old Hundredth

Musical score for "The Doxology" (Old Hundredth). The score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men."

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Jeanie Saunders

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S WORD

Anthem

arr. T. Kendzia & P. Warrick-Smith

“Over My Head”

Carole Aversa, soloist and choir

Over my head, I hear music in the air. There must be a God somewhere.

Come and see: he has rolled away the stone.

Over my head, I hear singing in the air.

Come and see: he is risen from the dead.

Over my head, I see Jesus in the air.

Children's Message

Dr. Karen Borchert

***Hymn of the Word**

Peter Scholtes

“They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord.

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord.

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand.

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand.

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, We will work side by side.

We will work with each other, We will work side by side.

And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only son.
And all praise to the Spirit, Who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

The Reading Of The Word

Lesson 1

Acts 1:1-11

“Jesus Taken Up Into Heaven”

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

⁶ Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

⁷ He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

⁹ After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹ “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus,

who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

Lesson 2

Ephesians 1:15-23

“Thanksgiving and Prayer”

¹⁵ For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God’s people, ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

***Gospel Lesson**

John 17:1-11

“Jesus Prays to be Glorified and for His Disciples”

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ² For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

⁶“I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

Homily

Dr. Karen Borchert

“Role Reversal”

Scripture: John 17:1-11

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn No. 623**

Sweet Hour

“Sweet Hour Of Prayer”

***Benediction**

***Taking The Light Into The World**

***Postlude**

“At The Name Of Jesus”

Chamberwell

*Congregation will please stand if able

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Ascension Day, (White)forty days after Easter, is celebrated to affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord of all times and places.

Mark and Karen Borchert are with us today. Mark is a professor and chair of the Communication Department at Carson-Newman University. Karen has been on the church staff at Emmanuel Baptist in Jefferson City and First United Methodist in Morristown before serving to Caris Healthcare as a hospice chaplain. She now coordinates volunteers in a five county area for Caris. Mark and Karen met while they both were studying at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. They both have their doctorates and have been working together in ministry and married or almost 25 years. They have two daughters, Elissa and Jessica. They are candidates for a co-pastorate at our church.

For questions or comments on today's sermon, please email Mark at mborchert@cn.edu.

In order to meet the projected General Fund Budget for 2017, (\$112,953.00) we need a weekly offering of \$2,172.17.

May 21, 2017

Sunday School Attendance-----21	Sunday School Offering-----\$6.00
Morning Worship Attendance-67	Morning Worship Offering----\$1498.00
	Building Fund Offering-----\$70.00
	Total Offering-----\$1669.00

Thanks for the donation given to the Building Fund *in memory of Vaughn Stanbery* by Norma Stanbery.

Birthdays

5/29 Phyllis Knight

Anniversaries

6/02 Errin & Sue Ellen Carroll

CHURCH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK

Today May 28 10:00am Sunday School (for all ages)
11:00am Morning Worship Ascension Sunday, Building Fund
Sunday, Guest Speaker Dr. Karen Borchert
NO EVENING SERVICES
Mon. May 29 Memorial Day
Wed. May 31 6:00pm Wednesday Evening Meal
6:45pm Bible Study
7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. June 4 10:00am Sunday School (for all ages)
11:00am Morning Worship, Elder Terry Sanders, speaker; Holy
Communion, Food Pantry
7:00pm Bible Study
Wed. June 7 6:45pm Bible Study
7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Congratulations to Garrett Breeden, a member of the Christian Academy of Knoxville baseball team that is playing for a state championship, and to Mallory Breeden, a member of the Christian Academy of Knoxville softball team that is also playing for a state championship. They are the children of Richard and Donna Garrett Breeden and the grandchildren of Eugene and Jean Garrett.

Elders

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Jim Rolen	Lonnie Knight	Richard Snowden
Jeanie Saunders	Terry Sanders	Allen Williamson

Deacons

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2020
Larry Knoll	Ron Saunders	Peggy Long

MAY

Elder of the Month.....Lonnie Knight

Deacon of the Month.....Larry Knoll

Greeters of the Month.....Jane Satterfield & Michael Stanbery

JUNE

Elder of the Month.....Terry Sanders

Deacon of the Month.....Ron Saunders

Greeters of the Month.....Larry & Gale Knoll

Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States for remembering the people who died while serving in the country's armed forces. The holiday, which is currently observed every year on the last Monday of May, originated as **Decoration Day** after the American Civil War in 1868, when the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Union veterans founded in Decatur, Illinois, established it as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the Union war dead with flowers. By the 20th century, competing Union and Confederate holiday traditions, celebrated on different days, had merged, and Memorial Day eventually extended to honor all Americans who died while in the military service. It marks the start of the unofficial summer vacation season, while Labor Day marks its end.

Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service. Many volunteers place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries.

Memorial Day is not to be confused with Veterans Day; Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who *died* while serving, while Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans.



