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Sun 14 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word
 12:00 p.m. Artists' reception. Fellowship Hall
 4:30 p.m. Confirmation ceremony. Sanctuary

Tue 16

7:30 p.m. Choir practice. Choir Room

Wed 17

7:00 p.m. Listening group. Balcony

Thu 18

10:00 a.m. Listening group. Classroom No. 1
 7:00 p.m. Session. Fellowship Hall

Fri 19

5:30 p.m. Wedding rehearsal. Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. TGIF Supper group. Hosted by Tim & Moria Artlip

Sat 20

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast. Fellowship Hall
 4:00 p.m. Wedding. Sarah Hammond & Sean Chapelle

Sun 21 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21
 8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word
 9:30 a.m. Forum with Pastor Tremba. Fellowship Hall
 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Baptisms

ART SHOW from Cat's Jump Drawing & Painting Group, May 14-June 11, Fellowship Hall. Artists include SPC's Yvonne Fisher and Anne Teresa. Opening reception, May 14, 12-1:30. Exhibit is dedicated to Stan Jones.

ALL SINGERS are invited to join the choir for a new anthem to be premiered at the Farewell Convocation June 11. To take part, please let Georgiann know of your interest (georgiann1@aol.com) and plan to attend at least one of the following 8PM rehearsals: May 23, May 30, and June 6.

FORUM with Pastor Tremba. A final chance to ask any and all questions regarding his views and insights on all things "church." **Sunday, May 21 at 9:30 a.m.** Fellowship Hall.

PENTECOST OFFERING Sunday, June 4. Split equally between Caring Cupboard, which supplies food to school children for the weekend; and the PCUSA Youth Mission Fund, which encourages, develops, and supports its young people, and also addresses the needs of at-risk children.

SPECIAL STORIED EVENING with Pastor Tremba. A few stories about church and town collected over 42 years. **Thursday, June 8, 7:30 p.m.** Sanctuary.

FAREWELL CONVOCATION. Sunday, June 11, 10:00 a.m. No other services that morning. Picnic and reception for Paula and Randy at Morgan's Grove Park at 1:00 p.m.

TEEN WEEK June 12-16. A week of adventure and service for youth grades 6-12, including a ropes course, and zip line, and learning about hunger and poverty. Sponsored by Shepherdstown Ministerial Association. Contact Dee-Ann Dixon at nsumcpastor@frontiernet.net, 304-876-2362 or Karen Erkstine-Valentine at 304-876-6771.

COMMUNITY BIBLE SCHOOL July 18-20, three full days from 9:00-3:00 p.m. Children ages 3 to middle school are welcome to attend this free program, Sign up sheet in classrooms. Contact Emily Gross via the office. Volunteer teachers & children shepherds needed to assist the kids throughout the day.

Eastertide
 Fifth Sunday

May 14, 2017
 10:45 a.m.

Love is the pervading passion of all things:
 draws diversity into oneness,
 knows and pleads for union,
 aches for goodness and beauty,
 suffers loss and destruction.

Love is the Power that births and grieves,
 the laughter that fills the heavens,
 the tears that water the earth.
 Love is the energy that fuels, fills, and embraces
 everything, everywhere.
 And there is no end to it, ever.

Love dances in freedom,
 in absolute spaciousness:
 inner and outer and everywhere emptiness
 providing limitless growing room for love's creating:
 infinite elbow room for love's play,
 complete openness for love's experimenting.
 Freedom is a playground with no fences,
 ever, anywhere.

Love creates,
 and it keeps on creating,
 and everything it creates also creates.

Gerald May
The Wisdom of Wilderness

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In you, Beloved, I would make my home. **Psalm 31**

Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" **Acts 7:55-56**

Thomas said to Jesus, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:5-6

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. **1 Peter 2:2-3**

Organ

Dianne Holliman

Piano

Kari Edge

Assistants

Ben Cauvel

Fiona Potts

Rie Wilson

To Our Guests

Glad you're with us. Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and fill in a visitor's card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of "fairly traded" coffee or tea with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

Childcare

Available in the nursery. See ushers for assistance.

BEHOLD! IT IS GOOD

Introit (2x)

Holy Spirit, come. Make my eyes to see.
Make my ears to hear. Make my mouth to speak.
Make my heart to sing and my hands to reach out
and touch the world with your love.

Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Worship

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Prayer

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*Hymn 20

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

GRACE ABOUNDS

Prayer of Confession

O Blessed One, you are gracious and full of compassion. You love us endlessly and call us to love others. We profess love and yet fail to act lovingly. You give generously but we refuse to share. You show us mercy but we judge, condemn and exclude others. Help us be gracious, generous and compassionate. Help us love one another as you love us.

Kyrie eleison (2x)

(Lord, have mercy)

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

*Hymn 62 (2x)

Love the Lord Your God with all your heart.
Love the Lord your God with all your soul
Love the Lord your God with all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

Blessing the World

Brazil

Hymn 399

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

First Pew

Parish Life

Hymn 408

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

HEARING THE WORD

Reading

Interlude

Lesson

John 14:1-14

Sermon

"Abide in Love"

Hymn 693

"Though I May Speak"

SERVING THE WORLD

Prayer for Others

Presenting Offerings

Offertory Anthem

The rain will seek the rivers, and rivers run to sea,
While human hearts will wander unfulfilled, and restlessly.

The anxious heart must listen,
Listen for the quiet voice that whispers, answers, offers,
Calls forth the unforced choice.

Grasp the easy burden, God's grace, our soul's delight.
Oh, run to claim the promise of everlasting light.

Affirmation

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*Acclamation

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Response

Holy Spirit, come...

Charge and Benediction

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Postlude

When someone tells me that they believe the Bible is the 'literal and inerrant word of God,' I always ask, 'Have you ever read it?'"

Bishop John Spong

When one has once fully entered the realm of love, the world—no matter how imperfect—becomes rich and beautiful, it consists solely of opportunities for love. **Søren Kierkegaard**

Works of Love

There is only one question: how to love this world. **Mary Oliver**

This world is nothing but a school of love; our relationships with our husband or wife, with our children and parents, with our friends and relatives are the university in which we are meant to learn what love and devotion truly are.

Swami Muktananda

The Lord doesn't look so much at the greatness of our works as at the love with which they are done.

Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)

God speaks to us in a thousand voices each with the same clear message: "I love you. Please trust me on this one." **Hugh Prather**

Spiritual Notes to Myself

Flowers placed by

John Burns
in celebration of
Helen Burns' 88th birthday

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Sunday flowers

sign up in office

*stand if you are able

**children to First Pew

Offertory anthem: **The Rain Will Seek the Rivers**. Written by Beverly Easterling, Music by Robert J. Powell