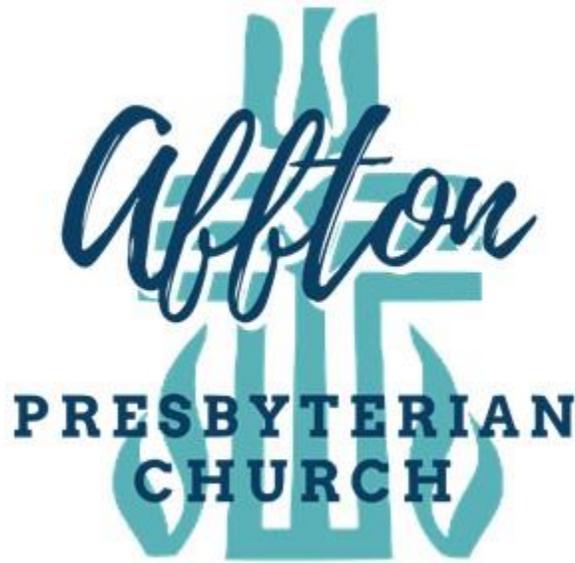


***“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God;
everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.”***

John 4:7



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***5th Sunday Of Easter
May 2, 2021***

***Meet with us online or via phone at 10 am:
Look under “Updates” on our site to join online
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On the phone, dial *6 to mute or unmute yourself.
If asked for a password, enter 3410.***

Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

One: Here in this place of worship, with the congregation of the faithful,

Many: we lay down our fears, to boldly sing God's praise.

One: Here in the vineyard of the Lord, with our sisters and brothers in Christ,

Many: grandparents tell stories of faith to little ones sitting on their laps.

One: Here where God waits to serve us at the Table:

Many: we shall be so filled with love that we will run to serve others.

Hymn #469 "Morning Has Broken"

Prayer of Confession:

Mother of Compassion: called to be one body, we fragment ourselves into a million selfish pieces; your children of love, we insist on the right to despise our sisters and brothers; though your Perfect Love was broken for us, we are afraid to give of ourselves to the world.

Abide in us, Vine Grower. Forgive us of our sins, so we may live boldly, love fearlessly, and proclaim unceasingly that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

Response "Gloria Patri"

Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

Many: and also, with you.

One: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

Prayer of Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept you Word. Silence in us any voices but your own, so that we may hear your Word and also do it; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

Sermon: John Hughes, Commissioned Pastor

Hymn #473 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Offering Checks may be mailed to the church or donate online.

Response of Praise *“Doxology”*

Prayer of Dedication:

From you comes every gift we need, every blessing we have. May we not hoard them for ourselves, but offer them back to you, that the poor might be fed, the lonely befriended, and the despairing be filled with hope. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Invitation to The Lord's Table

Lord's Prayer

Hymn #356 *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

Charge and Benediction