

*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.*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands Ensemble

***DOXOLOGY #607**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

*Eternal God, take and use these gifts for your purpose in the world—
giving food to the hungry, hope to the despairing, and new life to the dead.
Teach us to live each day for you, so that future generations
will know your goodness and praise your glory;
in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.*

— Sending —

***HYMN #240** Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Christ is risen! **Christ is risen!** Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!**
Believe what you have witnessed and run to the others,
joyfully shouting, "I have seen the Lord!" **Alleluia! Amen!**

POSTLUDE Postlude on Aurelia, The Church's One Foundation (Barr) Joshua Allen
You may sit during the Postlude after the Light passes

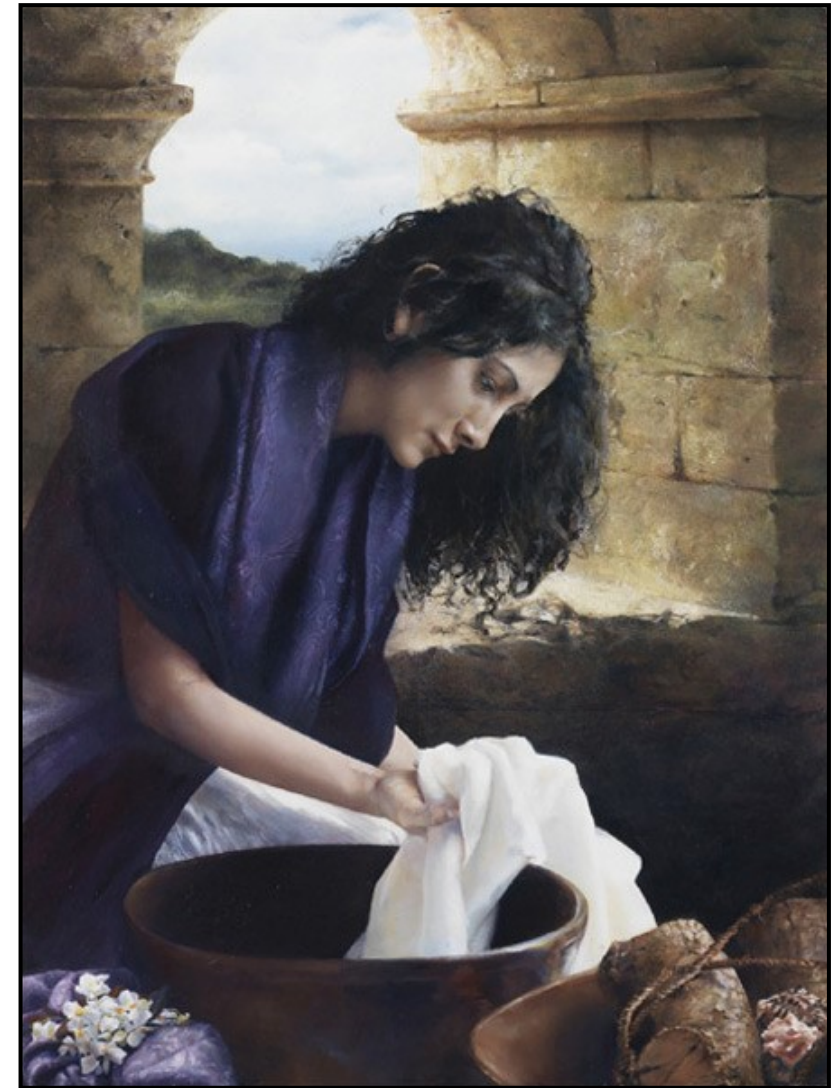
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*Serving God,
Honoring Creation,
Embracing Differences*



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HENDERSON, TX

6th Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

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(*) Please rise in body or in spirit
Bold Italic letters indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Joshua Allen

Prelude

Welcome

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God's goodness is breaking into the world.

We do not expect the Spirit's movement.

God gathers in those we judged to be outsiders.

We witness this in-breaking

as healing, wholeness, restoration, and peace.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN #246

Christ is Alive!

CONFESSION

Gracious God,

*we equate our judgment with your judgment,
and often consider our ways to be your ways.*

*We define peace as the absence of disruption,
holding our comfort as your aim*

and thinking our preferences reflect your way.

*Too often we act as if we are your authoritative witnesses,
believing our worldview corresponds with your vision,*

and that our narrative contains your hope for the future.

O God, dislodge us from our sinful assumptions.

Forgive our selfish views.

Correct us with your truth

and teach us by your Spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

You are loved. You are enough. You belong.

In Jesus Christ you are restored.

Thanks be to our God forever and ever.

*RESPONSE #587

Celtic Alleluia

— Word —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE Reading

Acts 16:9-15

Bible p. 127-128, LG p. 165-166

O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 67

Bible p. 500, LG p. 650-651

This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved. *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL

John 5:1-9

Bible p. 90, LG p. 117

Hear the word of God for us.

The wisdom of God for the people of God. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

Lydia's Open Heart

Rev. Michele Goff

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

— Response—

*HYMN #177

You Are Mine (I Will Come to You)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 INTERCESSION

God of new life, *hear our prayer.*

... through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.