

Sunday, May 25, 2014

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.  
*"Be still and know that I am God."* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on His name,  
make known His deeds among the peoples.

**People: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;  
tell of all His wonderful works.**

\*HYMN

*"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"*

No. 262

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Almighty God, ruler of all the peoples of the earth, forgive, we pray, our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love truth; give wisdom to our counselors and steadfastness to our people; and bring us at last to the fair city of peace, whose foundations are mercy, justice and goodwill, and whose builder and maker You are; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN

*"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"*

**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain.  
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!**

(Children may come up front during the hymn for the Children's Message)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Terri Reiner

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

*Judges 10:6-9 (OT p 229)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

*James 2:8-13 (NT p229)*

SERMON SERIES

**BOOK OF JAMES**

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*"Does the Nation Need to be Under God?"*

\*HYMN

*"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"*

No. 115

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(pg. 16 in the hymnal)*

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*"This Is My Song"*

Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*APOSTLES' CREED (*p.14 in the hymnal*)

\*HYMN *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

No. 562

\*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Alleluia, alleluia; alle, alleluia;  
Alleluia, alleluia; alle, alleluia.

\*POSTLUDE

<p><b>NEXT WEEK</b> Genesis 5:21-24 James 2:14-26 <i>"Houston, We Have a Problem"</i></p>
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*"Come As You Are"*

11:00am

\*Praise & Worship

*Made Alive*

*Forever Reign*

*Rescue*

*Everlasting God*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Terri Reiner

Scripture Readings:

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Sermon Series

**BOOK OF JAMES**

*"Does the Nation Need to be Under God?"*

\*Closing Song

*America the Beautiful*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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