



aBRIDGED Service

10:00 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter
"To Know Christ and Boldly Make
Him Known"

May 14, 2023

Prelude

Welcome

Recognition of Graduating Seniors

GATHERING

The assembly stands.

Gathering Songs

"Lord I Need You"

See Tv Screens or Insert

"Rock of Ages"

See Tv Screens or Insert

Prayer of the Day

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day with the assembly.

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Reading: Acts 1:6-14

The assembly is seated.

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

⁶When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive

power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them.¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away.¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The reading concludes:
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“What Are You Looking at”

Pastor Dennis Meyette

The assembly is seated.

Baptism

Baptism Song

“As I go Down to the River to Pray”

See TV Screens

Luca Christopher Verost

Born: July 29, 2022

Parents: Marco Verost and Sara Beville

Sponsors: Bobby Pinkerton and Deanna McClean

Prayer Time

The assembly stands.

Peace

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Meal

Offering

The assembly is seated.

The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.

"Ancient of Days"

Shane/Shane

Communion

The assembly stands.

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Communion Song

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

See Tv Screens or Insert

Blessing

The assembly stands.

Sending

Sending Song

"How Great Thou Art"

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Blessing and Dismissal

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing and sends the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Participants

Presiding Minister	Pastor Dennis Meyette	Lead Guitar/Vocals	Geoff Ramsey
Assisting Ministers	Rosie Dryden	Guitar	Tim Lady
	Becky Rothgery	Vocals	Emily Capps
	Pat Rothgery	Drums	Aiden Capps
Greeters	Vonnie Heckler	Piano	Nick Sperry
	Lynn Pierce	Ushers	Betty Pratt
	Dave Pierce		Linda Lee
Altar Guild	Teri Smith		Dennis Backens
			Bill Newman

This week at Emmanuel

- May 21: **Worship @ 8:30am, 10:00am (aBRIDGED)**
- May 21: **Youth Sunday School @ 9:45am; Last class until Fall**
- May 21: **Verost Baptism @ aBRIDGED service**
- May 21: **Honoring 2023 HS Graduates @ aBRIDGED service**
- May 21: **Youth Group @ 5pm - Last meeting until Fall**
- May 21: **Luke Little Church @ 5:30pm, FH**
- May 23: **Torah Tuesday with Donna Batchelor @10:00am at VOTI**
- May 23: **10am Worship Sub-committee @ 11:00am**
- May 23: **Mahjong @ 12:30pm**
- May 25: **Thursdays Together @ 10am via Zoom**
- May 27: **Worship @ 5pm**



The Reverend Dennis Meyette	Interim Pastor
The Reverend Dave Hess	Visitation Pastor
Kristene Hoeh Bowker	Minister of Music and Worship