

## A NEW WAY TO LISTEN TO WORSHIP!

We have a new way you can listen to the worship service at John Knox while we are not able to gather together in-person on Sundays. Follow these steps:

1. Call 317-647-8385.
2. You will hear a greeting thanking you for calling John Knox Presbyterian Church.
3. Then you will hear the past Sunday's worship service – which will play until it's over.

Feel free to use the following worship materials to follow along and participate in your home.

### **Order of Service – May 24, 2020 Facebook Live – John Knox Presbyterian Church**

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship: Psalm 68: 32-35

Leader: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.  
People: **O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, God sends out God's voice, the Lord's mighty voice.**  
Leader: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies.  
People: **Awesome is God in the sanctuary, the God of Israel; the Lord gives power and strength to God's people. Blessed be God!**

#### Song of Praise: "As It Is in Heaven"

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Come and let Your glory, come and let Your glory fall.

Our Father who art in heaven, the rocks cry out Your fame.  
Come and let Your glory, come and let Your glory fall.

I will sing, sing a new song. I will sing, sing a new song.  
I will sing, sing a new song to the Lord.

Let Your kingdom come, let Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Ev'ry heart proclaim the mercy of Your name, on earth as it is in heaven.

God give us, new ev'ry morning, mercy as daily bread.  
In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus we pray.

And lead us not to temptation, but deliver us with Your hand.  
In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus we pray.  
Father, we pray.

I will sing, sing a new song. I will sing, sing a new song.  
I will sing, sing a new song to the Lord.

Let Your kingdom come, let Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Ev'ry heart proclaim the mercy of Your name, on earth as it is in heaven.

For the kingdom is Yours, and the power is Yours, and the glory forever. Amen.  
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### Prayer of Confession

Lord, you pray that your followers will be one as you and your Father are one, and yet we divide into factions, demonize those with whom we disagree, and fail to show the world we are yours through our love of one another. We are to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth, revealing your mercy and enacting your compassion. Instead we keep silent when we should speak, and speak when we ought to remain silent. Forgive us for our failure to take risks for your sake. Grant us your grace and embolden us to share it, forgiving others as we have been forgiven. Amen.

### *Silent Confession*

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, Christ himself restores, supports, strengthens and establishes us. Believe the good news, through Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

### Children's Message – Frank – Pentecost Offering Minute for Mission

### Hymn #462 – "I Love to Tell the Story"

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.*

### **Refrain:**

*I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

*I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (Refrain)*

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Refrain)*

Scripture – [Acts 1: 6-14](#) – William Almodovar

Message – Dialogue Sermon – Lisa and Frank

- What have been some of the most challenging things about this pandemic for you?
- How have you tried to cope or care for yourself during this time?
- What signs of hope or joy have you experienced in the midst of this pandemic?
- In this story from Acts about Jesus' ascension, what stands out to you and speaks specifically to your faith in this time?
- The disciples ask Jesus, "Is this the time when you will restore the kingdom of Israel?" A lot of us are asking the question, "Is this the time?" or "When is the right time to reopen?" How have you wrestled with that question or sought to find peace with that question in the midst of this pandemic?
- How might we fulfill our calling to be Christ's witnesses as the church to our world right now? What might we be called to do so that even "to the ends of the earth" God's people might have hope in what has been a very uncertain time?

Song of Praise: "Even So Come"

All of creation, all of the earth make straight a highway,  
a path for the Lord; Jesus is coming soon.

Call back the sinner, wake up the saint, Let ev'ry nation shout of Your fame;  
Jesus is coming soon.

Like a bride waiting for her groom, We'll be a Church ready for You.  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, We sing:

Even so, come, Lord Jesus come.  
Even so, come, Lord Jesus come.

There will be justice, all will be new. Your name forever, faithful and true;  
Jesus is coming soon.

Like a bride waiting for her groom, We'll be a Church ready for You.  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, We sing:

Even so, come, Lord Jesus come.  
Even so, come, Lord Jesus come.

So we wait, we wait for You God, we wait; You're coming soon.  
So we wait, we wait for You God, we wait; You're coming soon.

Like a bride waiting for her groom, We'll be a Church ready for You.  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, we sing:

Like a bride waiting for her groom, We'll be a Church ready for You.  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, we sing:

Even so, come, Lord Jesus come. Even so, come, Lord Jesus come.  
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#### Affirmation of Faith – Apostle's Creed (unison)

**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.**

#### Joys and Concerns / Prayers of the People / 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. 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.**

#### Offering – Video for Memorial Day

#### Hymn #265 – “Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”

*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does its successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.*

*To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head;  
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise  
with every morning sacrifice.*

*People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song,*

*and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.*

*Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to loose their chains;  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.*

*Let every creature rise and bring  
honors peculiar to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen!*

### Benediction and Blessing

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### Announcements:

- This not a typical Memorial Day Sunday for us, is it? Normally we wouldn't even be here on Sunday – with 300,000 people gathered a mile from the church. But year is unlike any other year – and we are glad you can join us for worship!
- Kayenta Baby Shower collections through next Sunday – feel free to drop off gently used or new baby clothes, toys, and blankets in the large bin outside the main entrance. The Presbyterian Women thank you for your generosity!
- Thank you for your continued generosity to The Storehouse Food Pantry. They will be having another distribution this Wednesday, May 27. If you can bring food by the church by Monday evening, Dan and Linda Bourne will pick it up Tuesday and take it. I'll be sure to include a summary of all the monetary and other donations that have been made in the June Tidings.
- Speaking of the Tidings, we will publish the June newsletter after the Session has met to make some decisions about our next steps after May 31. The building remains closed through next Sunday, and then much of what will happen next depends on many factors, all of which the Session will take into consideration. So, look for those details in the Tidings, emails, social media, and so on.
- Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday – wear red next Sunday and send us your pictures of you worshipping at home in your red! Also, we will have these doves available this week in the large bin at the main entrance – feel free to pick one up per household as another way to celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit next week!

#### Prayer Concerns:

- Danny and Cheryl Fultz, as Danny is at home recovering from bladder cancer surgery. Danny will have to have check-ups every three months as follow-up with his oncologist, but the surgeon believes he got it all.
- Javed Dass, who has returned to Harcourt Terrace after being hospitalized at St. Vincent's Hospital this past week.
- Judy Ricketts asks for prayers for her close friend Annette, who had been hospitalized with the coronavirus, but is now out of the hospital and in rehab.
- Barb Kreiger requests prayer for her daughter Jennifer, who had surgery Tuesday to remove tumors. Good news is that those biopsy results came back clear. Jennifer will now undergo four weeks of radiation follow-up treatments.
- Prayers for Josh and Juliann Bradish, as their daughter, Adeline, continues to have multiple seizures from epilepsy (SCN8A) and has had to be hospitalized this past week. She is home recovering but they ask that she continue to be surrounded in our prayers as she adapts to her new medication and her body recovers from this setback.
- Karen Doty asks that we please pray for the young man she discovered at 34th and Dandy Trail out in the rain Tuesday evening with his totaled car up on a median in the middle of the road.
- For the victims of devastating flooding in central Michigan. This includes Paula Gillespie's cousin, Leah, and her family, who had to evacuate their home. Leah is 38-weeks-pregnant, as well.
- For all who are struggling with whether to come back to work due to fear of the virus.
- For the people of India and Bangladesh, who have experienced great devastation from a tropical cyclone this week.
- Julie Fitzgerald (Allen) was diagnosed with bone cancer.
- For those struggling financially.
- Pray for everyone having to stay at home.
- Hayden Flynn's aunt and cousin, Connie and Martina Sutton, as the place where they work has had patients with Covid-19.

#### Joys to Share:

- Jeff and Susan Roberts are happy to be able to spend quality time with their grandson Evan. Susan is also thankful her table group was able to meet outside.
- For the gift of family.
- Georgia Thomas turns 94 years old next Sunday, May 31. Invite you to shower her with cards this week!