



**May 6, 2018 11:15 a.m.**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

*Gathering Song #749*      “Come, Live in the Light!”

*Welcome and Living Our Faith*

*Passing the Peace*

*Call to Worship*

Lift your hearts! Lift your eyes! Lift your voices!

**The living, moving Spirit of God has called us together.**

We gather to hear the wisdom of God and to celebrate the love of God.

**We will heed God’s Spirit and faithfully follow Christ.**

*Song #203*                      “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

**Gracious God,**

**We give thanks for our community of faith**

**and for the ways it serves as our extended family:**

**by welcoming us when we are anxious and lonely,**

**by embracing us when we are marginally lovable,**

**by encouraging us when our confidence is evaporating,**

**by elevating us when we feel dispirited,**

**by cheering us when we have something to celebrate,**

**and by supporting us when we face challenges.**

**Help us to share your love with one another**

**and with a divided world that is starving for love.**

**In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

*Scripture Lesson*

John 15:9-17

*Response*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Song #693*

“Though I May Speak”

*Message*

Greg Jones

*Offering*

*Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.*

*Communion of the People*

*Invitation*

When Jesus enjoyed a meal with tax collectors and sinners,  
he proclaimed that God’s love knows no bounds.

**We accept both the comfort and the challenge of that witness.**

All are invited to share this meal and to be nourished by the Bread of Life.

*Song #523*

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

*The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Eternal God...

*The Lord’s Prayer*

*Words of Institution*

*Sharing the Bread and Cup*

*The Lord’s Supper is open to all who trust in Christ.*

*When you approach communion servers, please take a piece of bread,  
the symbol of Christ’s love for you, and dip it in the cup, representing the new life in Christ.*

*For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.*

Communion Songs #527  
#205

“Eat This Bread”  
“Live in Charity”

*Prayer Following Communion*

**God of grace,  
you renew us with the bread of life and cup of salvation.  
May these elements inspire us to love you by loving others  
and to serve you through our service to others.  
We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Sending*

*Response #538*      “Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”

*Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room  
for coffee, tea, and fellowship.*

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**We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning.** Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other Sunday morning worship service is held at 9:00 a.m., and includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children’s Message. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

**Welcome back, Erin**

We are pleased that the Reverend Erin (Potter) Kaye will be assisting in worship today. She grew up in Westminster, was ordained here, and is currently serving as the pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Camden, Arkansas.

**Please remember in your prayers James Cartmell who was recently hospitalized.**

**Children are welcome in worship.** You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

**Image:** <http://gluthermanson.blogspot.com/2015/05/love-one-another.html>



Pastors: Gregory Knox Jones and  
Sudie Niesen Thompson (on maternity leave)  
Pianist: Paul Fleckenstein  
Song Leaders: Westminster Solo Quartet  
Digital Artist: Bob Cox

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