

The Service for the Lord's Day

May 15, 2022 | 8:45 and 11:00 am

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE *Clarion Call* | Michael Joy

INTROIT *He Is King of Kings* | American Negro Spiritual*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 135:1-3

Praise the Lord!

Praise the name of the Lord!

**Give praise, O servants of the Lord,
You that stand in the house of the Lord,
In the courts of the house of our God.**

Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;

Sing to his name, for he is gracious.

***HYMN 366** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* | HYRFRYDOL

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 247** v. 1

Now the Green Blade Rises | NOEL NOUVELET

**Now the green blade rises from the buried grain.
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain.
Love lives again that with the dead has been;
Love has come again like wheat arising green.**

PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Acts 11:1-18

SECOND READING Revelation 21:1-6

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM *Behold, How Good* | Michael John Trotta

SERMON TEXT John 13:31-35

SERMON *New Jerusalem* | The Rev. Dr. John H. Bell, Jr.

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

***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.

***HYMN 300** *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

CALL FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Shall We Gather at the River* | Jason W. Krug

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FROM WORSHIP TO SERVICE

***HYMN** *Dona Nobis Pacem* | traditional

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** *Amarsi (To Love Each Other)* | Patrick Lee

Leading Worship Today

The Rev. Dr. John H. Bell, Jr., Pastor

The Rev. Katie Robb Davis, Associate Pastor

The Rev. Julia Fenn, Parish Associate

Christine Gaudreau, Director of Music and Worship Arts

Wil Smith, Organist

Patrick Lee, Pianist

Celebration Ringers, Sue Boarman, Director

Sara Michael, Mary Christ, Delci Lutes, Brendan Schuster and Karl Allen, vocalists

Steve Cearley, & Bill Davis, Production

Cover art: James He Qi, "Journey with Jesus". www.heqiart.com

*Wellshire is choosing to follow in the footsteps of Dr. Everett McCorvey of the American Spirituals Ensemble in referring to this genre of music as "American Negro Spiritual" rather than "African American Spiritual".

Give Online



* The Congregation is invited to stand. **Bold Print** indicates congregational participation

Welcome visitors! Thank you for coming to Wellshire this morning. We are glad you're here:

Join us after worship for a cup of coffee in the Narthex, right outside the Sanctuary.

Childcare is located on the lower level of the building. Don't hesitate to ask for directions.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the usher's table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

Beginning Sunday, May 29, we move to our summer schedule, with ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 am.

Adult Sunday School Classes: 9:45—10:45 am

Clif's Notes: Room 206

Abide in Jesus: Room 207 Explore the tools and practices of nurturing faith through discussions based on John Ortberg's YouTube videos "Passage to Wisdom".

Apostles' Creed— room 208, join us as Rev. Julia Fenn leads a discussion about what we say we believe and how it impacts what we do and how we live.

Children's Sunday School

Children meet in their classrooms from 9:45-10:15 am, followed by choir practice from 10:15-10:45 am.

Mission for May: The Gathering Place

This month we support the women of The Gathering Place, Denver's only daytime shelter for women and children experiencing homelessness. Please place items in the donation box in the narthex. Gift cards from a major retailer are an appreciated option as well. To learn more please go to: tgpdenvr.org. **Suggested Items** include: shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine hygiene items, make up products, and brushes/combs.

Used Book Sale

Sunday, June 5 in the Narthex, 9:30-noon. Please drop off books at the Wellshire Library. We will include them in the sale for others to enjoy!

Time to Register for Vacation Bible School!

June 20-24, from 9:00 am-noon. Find registration forms on the table in the Narthex or down stairs by the PDO office. Checks should be made out to Wellshire Presbyterian Church and in the memo area write 'VBS 22'. You can also register online using the link in the eNews or by visiting www.wpcdenver.org/vbs. If you are interested in volunteering for VBS Please email Cindy Moorman at cmoorman@wpcdenver.org

KANTOREI -- Journey to Freedom

Sunday, May 22nd 3:00 pm—Sanctuary

For our first collaboration with Artist-in-Residence, M. Roger Holland II, and in partnership with CPR Classical, Kantorei explores stories that spirituals tell, illuminating the African American cultural narrative. Tickets available at kantorei.org or at the door (\$3 more at the door).

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)



HOPE FOR THE ORPHANS

Elephant Rock Cycling Festival benefitting Team Zimbabwe June 5, 2022

To ride in the event with Team Zimbabwe, you must: 1) register for the ride 2) set up a fundraising page, and 3) raise a minimum of \$100. By setting up your fundraising page and sharing the link with all your friends and relatives, you can compete to be our top fundraiser and help the children even more! Learn more at <http://zimpartnership.org/>.

Training Rides: May 21 and 28, 9:00 am: Meet at Dove Valley Southeast corner near baseball field. Questions: Contact J'ne Day Luore at jmdaylu@comcast.net for more info.

Bike riding not for you? Be a check "rider" and support Team Wellshire by giving any amount. Make checks out to Wellshire Church and put "Team Wellshire" in the memo. Your participation helps feed, clothe, educate, and provide medical help for approximately 1,000 orphans.

CALENDAR

MAY 22	Kantorei Concert, 3:00 pm Club 45 & Youth End of Year Celebration 6:00 pm
MAY 29	Begin ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 am
JUNE 5	Elephant Rock Bicycle Tournament Confirmation Sunday
JUNE 12-18	High School Serve and Learn Trip
JUNE 20-24	Vacation Bible School
JULY 23-30	High School Conference at Montreat
SEPT 23-25	Women's Retreat

We'd Love to be in Touch!

If this is your first visit or you need to update your contact information, please point your smartphone camera at the QR code to the right and fill out the short Visitor Information Form.



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