

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

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Preparation for Worship

Prelude *Be Thou But Near* Bach/Smith

As you open your mind and your heart to God's presence in our midst, we invite you to prepare for today's service as you listen to the prelude, which marks the beginning of worship.

Lighting of the Candles

*Congregational Introit *In Christ There is No East or West* # 439 v.1

Call to Worship Congregation **(Bold)**

Let us offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God,
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Greetings & Announcements

Visitors: please fill out a visitor's card and place in the offering plate at offering

Passing of the Peace

* Hymn of Praise *The Church's One Foundation* # 442

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Almighty God,
your word offers freedom from sin,
but we confess that we have not obeyed your word.
We have harbored malice toward our enemies;
we have been deceitful in our relationships;
we have been insincere in our commitments;
through gossip we have slandered our friends.
Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance.
Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk
that we may grow into the joy of salvation
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Silent Reflection)

Assurance of New Beginnings

Sharing Faith with the Children

(Children ages 3-9 may go to Children's Church)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation *For the Beauty of the Earth* #473

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Acts 7:55-60 Congregation

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Scriven/Converse

Second Scripture Reading John 14:1-14 # 108

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

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Sermon Pastor David Fuentes

*Affirmation of Faith Nicene Creed Congregation

We believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,

begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory
to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come. Amen.

*Gloria Patri Congregation # 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Prayers of God’s People

The Lord’s Prayer Congregation

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.

Offerings of the People

Offertory *I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry* Smallwood/Watts

*Doxology # 592

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.

Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD’S NAME

* Closing Hymn *Christ is Alive!* # 108

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction *In Christ There is No East or West* # 439 v.4

Postlude *March from Egmont* Beethoven

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PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS: Ada Carson, Corrine McCain, Vern Miller, Peggy Cuddington, Martha Parker, Verna Quidley, Jane Armstrong, Barbara Hopewell, Cliff Meadows, Matthew Cedars, Terry Powell, Max Armstrong, Pat Morgan, Walter Powell and the family of Virginia Powell, Joan Wilson and the family of Glenn Wilson, the family of Margaret Brown.

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH: Catherine Ciin’s mother, Hellon Matthews (former member), Ralph & Leigh Powell (Walter’s brother & family), Jimmie Boyd, Deborah Glisson, Fred Cornford and the family of Lowell Marsh, Peggy Barber (friend of Beth Doran), Eliza Williams (Tillie Jones’ sister), Pat Peterson & Diane Manley (friends of Jean Foss), Mary Gover (Charlene Gover’s daughter -in-law), Jim Schneider (friend

of Rob & Diana Thompson), Peggy Owen (Jean Boyd’s sister), Ashleigh Randell (Terri Randell’s daughter), Maxine and George Fisher and the family of Tim Fisher, Mabel Weatherly (friend of Peggy Cuddington), Carol Cherry, Christine Smith (friend of the Thompsons), Eddie Austin (Charlotte McConnell’s brother), Elizabeth Brock and the family of Agnes Brock, Denise Plourde (friend of the Thompsons), the family of Mavis McGowan Alder (Irene Brock’s sister), Caroline Wrigley (Evelyn Wrisley’s daughter-in-law), Rosemary (a friend of Ellie Burns’ daughter), Deb & Tim Tuttle (friends of the Thompsons).

ASSISTED LIVING: Betty Harrison (Homeplace)

DEPLOYMENTS/MILITARY: Evan Austin (Peggy Cuddington’s grandson), Nick Zimmer, England, and Shannon Webster, Germany, (both Joan Zimmer’s grandchildren).

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Week of May 14

Elder of the Week	Bob Griffin
Liturgist	Rob Thompson
Ushers	Bob Griffin
	Mike Kelley
	Whit Morgan
	Trudy Nelson
	Teresa Wah
Acolyte	

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Nursery/Children’s Church
	10:30 am	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Karate
Thursday	9:30 am	Nifty Knitters
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir

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Service for the Lord’s Day

Sunday, May 14, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30 A.M.

“The West New Bern Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) exists to invite people to enter a relationship with Jesus Christ, grow in their faith, and go out in the world to share that faith.”

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