



Worship: Sunday 10 AM

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GROOME CHURCH



*Giving thanks and celebrating
120 years of faithful service to
Christ and Community*



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*"...if we walk in the light,
as He is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another..."*

- I John 1:7

Historic Lewes Delaware

GROOME CHURCH
May 12, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Reverend. S. Willard Crossan III
Associate Pastor: Reverend Rich Evans

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Ascension Sunday

GATHERING AND REFLECTION

Parish Calendar and Greeting *Dr. Crossan*

Organ Prelude "God Bless The Mothers" *by D. Moore*

Call to Worship:

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt his name together!

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises unto the Lord!

Leader: As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

People: This is God, our God for ever and ever. He will be our guide forever.

* Hymn of Praise "O Worship the King" 73

Prayer of Confession

Our heavenly Father, who by your love has made us, and through your love has kept us, and in your love would make us perfect: We humbly confess that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and that we have not loved one another as Christ has loved us. Your life is within our souls, but our selfishness has hindered you. We have not lived by faith. We have resisted your Spirit. We have neglected your inspirations. Forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we are; and in your Spirit direct what we shall be, that you may come into the full glory of your creation, in us and in all people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

The Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem "

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Leader: O Lord, open our hearts and our minds;

People: that we may behold wonderful things out of your word.

Old Testament Lesson	Acts 1:15-17	<i>Mark Lyman</i>
New Testament Lesson	1 John 5:9-13	<i>Connie Shockley</i>
Gospel Lesson	John 17:6-19	<i>Dr. Crossan</i>
* Affirmation of Faith	"Romans"	887
* Gloria Patri		

PETITIONS, INTERCESSIONS, AND OFFERING

The Collect

O God, the protector of all that trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that, you being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declarations of Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People

-Voicing of our Petitions-

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Words of Presentation

Offering

Organist/Pianist

The Presentation Prayer

"Doxology" "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95

THE VOICING OF SCRIPTURE

* Hymn of Preparation "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" 334

Sermon "Of Justice and Judgement" *Dr. Crossan*

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Dedication "This is My Song" 437

* Words of Dismissal

Dismiss us now, O Lord, with your blessing, and accompany us ever with your grace, that we may hereafter live in peace, love, and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Benediction

* Benediction Response "He is Lord" 177

* Postlude "Reverie" *by Esther Mergargel*

* *Please Stand*