



Dürer's New Jerusalem

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022

PRELUDE

Parting
Valley Ringers

B. Werner

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pastor Craig

POURING OUT OF WATERS

PASSING THE PEACE

RINGING THE BOWL

CALL TO WORSHIP

John 14:23-31

One of his disciples asked Jesus: “LORD, how is it you will manifest yourself to us and not to the world?” Jesus answered, “If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will come to you and take you to make our home with him. He who does not love me does not keep my words; for the word which you hear is not mine, but the Father’s who sent me. These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you, but the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I go away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me you would have rejoiced, because I go to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place, you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me; but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go hence.”

✠ **OPENING HYMN**

Shall We Gather at the River

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CALL TO PRAYER

John 14:6

“I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father, except through me.”

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O GOD, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you, that, loving you above all else, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire. May we who in baptism die to sin, rise again to new life and find our place in your living body. May the new covenant sealed in your blood bring healing and reconciliation to this world. Calm all troubled

hearts, dispel every fear. Keep us steadfast in love and faithful to your word, that we may always be your dwelling place. We pray this through Jesus Christ, firstborn from the dead.

(Silent prayer) Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you shall love one another. Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

✠ GLORIA PATRI

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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.

ANTHEM

Revelation 19

J. Schrader

Hallelujah! Salvation and glory,
Honor and power unto the Lord our God.
For the Lord our God is mighty,
And the Lord our God is omnipotent;
The Lord, our God, He is wonderful.

All praises be to the King of Kings
And the Lord of Lords, He is wonderful.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 21:10; 21:22—22:5

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it. On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

SERMON

"A DIFFERENT REALITY"

✠ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostle's Creed 35

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, died, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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** *Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers* 362

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Joyfully Rejoice* T. Osman
Valley Ringers

**If you haven't already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.*

** If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in front of you and place it in the offertory. Our Pastors and the Prayer Ministry Team will pray for your request. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well.*

✠ **DOXOLOGY** 606

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 THANKSGIVING**

✠ **HYMN** *Light Dawns on a Weary World* 79

✠ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

✠ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *Because He Lives*

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know, he holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because he lives!

✠ **POSTLUDE** *O Sons and Daughters* Arr. G. Young

✠ **All those who are able, please stand**

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All Worship Services are available for replay on our website.

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Flowers for the Sanctuary Provided by:

John and Barbara Bentley

Please remember those hospitalized or in rehabilitation:

Bonnie Wollin, Barb Case.

WELCOME to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together in spirit.

VISITORS: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor's Information Packet at the Visitor's Table or the Welcome Centers. If you would like to receive more information about us, visit us at valleypres.net where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

Children are invited to worship in the sanctuary then attend Sunday School after Children's Time.

We are glad you have joined us today.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
April-2022		Through Week #20 (5/15/2022)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 70,220	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	163
Monthly Giving Budget	70,443	* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	5,373
*YTD Giving Support	287,440	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	155
*YTD Giving Budget	345,408	** YTD 2022 Viewing On-Line	3,719
		* YTD 2022 Attendance / On-Line	9,092
		* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	2,690
<p style="text-align: center;">* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dx38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2022 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</p>			

UPCOMING THIS WEEK: *(Pastor Diane is on vacation this week)*

Monday, May 23

- 9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises
- 10:00 am Fellowship Committee
- 2:00 pm Valley Readers

Tuesday, May 24

9:00 am Cardio Drumming
9:30 am Prayer Ministry

Wednesday, May 25

9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises
10:00 am Chair Exercise with Mia Lee Cooper
10:00 am Ministry of Presence
3:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 26

All Day Paving & Striping Parking Lot—No Access
Church Closed (Admins will be working)
8:30 am Session Meeting (via Zoom only)

Friday, May 27

All Day Paving & Striping Parking Lot.
Church Closed (Admins will be working)

Saturday, May 28

All Day Paving & Striping Parking lot
Church Closed

Sunday, May 29

9:30 am Children's Worship
9:30 am Worship Service

Monday, May 30

9:00 a.m. Memorial Day Event
Staff will not be working.



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