

# Christ Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 2014

Worship at 9:30 am

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here!

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. - Sixth Sunday of Easter

# Meditative Reflection

## Enfolded in Love

Each one of us needs to work at searching for the truth and not be afraid of it. We need to strive to live in truth because the truth sets us free even if it means living in loneliness and anguish at certain moments. Perhaps this search for truth is a process of letting ourselves be enfolded in truth rather than possessing truth, as if it were an object we could possess, that we could use against others.

The truth will set us free only if we let it penetrate our hearts and rend the veil that separates head from heart. It is important not only to join head and heart, but to love truth, also, and to let it inspire our lives, our attitudes and our way of living. The truth of religion and morality shows itself when they liberate us and give us a deep respect and compassion for others.

From Being Human by Jean Vanier, p. 14-15.

Prelude **Partita in a minor BWV 1013** J.S. Bach

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn # 473 For the Beauty of the Earth DIX

Call to Worship Liz Dawson

Leader: God comes! So don't let go of all the reasons to rejoice.

People: We will sing a song to the One who fills our lives with joy.

Leader: God comes! So don't stop lifting your prayers with

thanksgiving.

People: We will sing a song to the One who hears our words and silence.

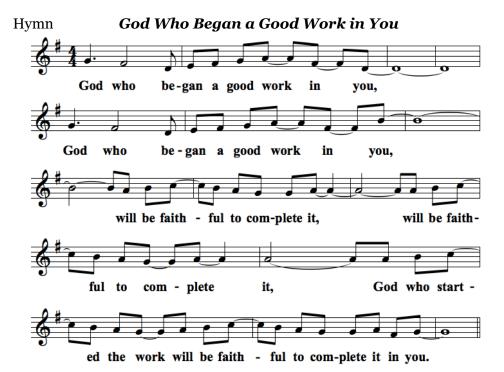
Leader: God comes! So don't stop giving your hearts to God.

All: We will sing a song to the One who graces us with a peace we cannot begin to understand.

Prayer of Invocation Liz Dawson

Scripture Reading Philippians 4:8-9 Andrea Pazinko

A Story for Children Rev. Julie Yarborough (The 2 and 3-year-olds may leave for Sunday school at this time. Church Mice Choir for children pre-K through 1st grade may leave at this time.)



Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Caroline Dean

Silence & Prayer

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** 

**Invitation to Sharing** 

Offertory Anthem **Bright Morning Stars** Shawn Kirchner Eric Roper, solo

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Sing praise, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Children Pre-K through 7<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

Scripture Reading John 14:15-21 Rev. Rebecca Laird

Sermon "Enfolded in Truth" Rev. Laird

Hymn #339 **Be Thou My Vision** SLANE

Benediction Rev. Laird

Postlude Excerpt from Concertino for Flute and Piano

Cecile Chaminade

Greeters: Sally Semper and family

Ushers for 9:30 am:

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here is today's **Sunday school** schedule:

Infants - 3 year olds Nursery (Room B-109)

Pre-K – 5th graders Assembly (Art Room B-206)

6th and 7th graders Basement

8th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship



#### **Worship Notes:**

Helen Raymaker and Jason Bishop, guest musicians Guest musician: Serena Huang, Flute

# Save the Dates:

June 8 is Youth Sunday June 15 is the Church Picnic

<u>High School and Middle School Youth:</u> Today from 5:30pm-7:00pm High School & Middle School Students will meet in the Art Room to plan Youth Sunday (June 8<sup>th</sup>.) We need your support and ideas to be ready by June 8<sup>th</sup>. Friends are welcome.

## **Upcoming Youth Sunday Planning Dates:**

\*Wednesday May 28th at 6:30pm-7:30pm

\*Sunday June 1st at 5:30pm-7:30pm

\*Youth Sunday Mandatory Practice:

Saturday June 7th 2:00pm-4:00pm

Age-ing and Sage-ing: Curious about what goes on in the end stages of your life? What are the challenges and opportunities? What are the "tasks" that come with the territory? What does brain research tell us? What do you want to do with your "one wild and precious life" now? Anyone who is or who will be 60 is welcome. DATE: Sunday, June 8, 10:45 am to 12:00 pm

**Morning Quest:** The last meeting before summer break will be Monday, June 9th, at 9:30a in Lile Hall. Please bring a small brunch item and enjoy an hour of fellowship and good conversation.

<u>Graduation News:</u> Please let us know which family members are graduating this year, from what school and with what degree. Send the details to Cheryl at <u>cheryl@ccsnj.org</u> by June 10 for inclusion in the June 15<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
May 25, 2014	First Worship Service	9:30 am
	Church Mice – Barnwell Hall	9:45 am
	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	Genesis Choir - Sanctuary	10:45 am
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
Sixth Sunday of	No Second Worship Service	
Easter	Youth Sunday Planning	5:30 pm

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