



West Richmond Church of the Brethren

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“Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.”

May 17, 2020

6th Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Thanks be to Thee

Handel

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

Opening Words

Psalm 9 (CEV)

I will praise you, Lord,
with all my heart
and tell about the wonders
you have worked.

God Most High, I will rejoice;
I will celebrate and sing
because of you.

Opening Prayer

Our Creator God, we praise you this day for all good things. We have gathered to worship you with word and song, the praise that comes from our heart, soul, and minds. Bless us with the assurance of your presence, now and always. In Jesus name, Amen.

Song

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#37 (1)

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
Oh my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.
Join me in glad adoration.*

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Time with Our Children

Congregational Prayer

Special Music *Sonata for Flute and Piano* Bohuslav Martinu

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Scripture Lesson

I Timothy 6:3-10; 17-19 (NRSV)

Whoever teaches otherwise and does not agree with the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching that is in accordance with godliness, is conceited, understanding nothing, and has a morbid craving for controversy and for disputes about words. From these come envy, dissension, slander, base suspicions, and wrangling among those who are depraved in mind and bereft of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain.

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Sermon

On being rich

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Closing Song *We give thee but thine own* #384 (1)

*We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.*

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

May the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, May the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

Postlude *A Child of the King* J. Sumner

KEEPING IN PRAYER

Kevin & Barbara Beers

Richard Barry

June Diehl

Richard Shreckhise

Lois Schall, sister to Carol Goss, Barbara McCann, and Sandy Faw

Joel Guyer's Brother-in-law, Dale Stern who is now in hospice care.

Shawn Baker's Mother, Francine Baker and Grandmother, Emma Watson

The COVID-19 Pandemic and all those impacted.

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Pastor David Whitten
Worship Leader Susan Robertson
Children's Story Tasja Begley
Pianist Bob Phillips
Flute Sarah Beers

News and Announcements

It was announced that the Commonwealth of Virginia will enter Phase One of reopening on Friday, May 15. Our Church Board members met via Zoom to discuss whether they felt comfortable in reopening in-person worship services following the Phase One guidelines at

(<https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus/forwardvirginia/#856622>)

We came to the decision that we, as West Richmond family members, were not ready to resume worship services in our sanctuary just yet. We took into account the age and/or health status of our members. We will re-evaluate this decision at the next Board Meeting. Right now we have the opportunity to worship together, while being socially distanced, through our live-stream service.

We are looking into being able to continue live streaming and do it with the "in person" service when we reopen, whenever that decision is made, please understand that it is a decision made in the best interests of all.



Our next scheduled Sunday morning Bread and Cup service is on May 31. We will celebrate communion as planned. In preparation for this, as part of our online worship service, have a small portion of bread and juice available. We will share Communion privately in our homes. We may be physically disconnected but spiritually we remain the body of Christ.



We'd like to extend a big 'THANK YOU' to all those who contributed to the Nigeria Crisis Fund.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

This Week

05/17Chris Wampler
 05/18Dave Whitten (65th)
 05/20Laurel Holsinger
 05/22Brooke Lindgren

Next Week

05/24.... Betty Ziegler (92nd)
 05/25.... Asha Solanky
 Owen Williams
 *Donald & Margaret (Wampler) Lum*
 05/26.... Stephanie Felder
 05/27.... Gabriel Carr
 Chris Damour
 *Meredith & Tori Yoder (20th)*
 05/28.... Carolyn Gallagher
 Ken Heatwole
 Steve Martin
 05/30.... Grady Fields (30th)



Offering

Offering	\$	4,862.00
Offering Y-T-D	\$	61,200.00
Needed Y-T-D	\$	62,009.42