

*Thank you for worshipping with us today!
Join us Sunday mornings at 9:45 and 10:00 a.m.
for Christian Education and Spiritual Growth.*



SEARCHERS (Meets in the Brooks Educational Wing downstairs - 9:45 a.m.)
May 12 Reflects on how we experience and live the Christian faith.

FORMATIONS (Meets in the Parlor - 9:45 a.m.)
May 12 Silas Acts 17:1-13

THE FORUM (Meets in the Brooks Educational Wing downstairs - 10:00 a.m.)
May 12 Religion and current events are discussed.



*The People of God in Worship
May 5, 2019
Eleven O'Clock in the Morning*

The Third Sunday of Easter

HAPPENINGS AT PBC

Sunday, May 5	9:45 & 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes Worship Service Dr. H. Stephen Shoemaker, Pulpit Guest
May 6th-10th		Rivermont Food Pantry
Monday, May 6	7:30 a.m.	McNeely Group
Tuesday, May 7	2:00 p.m.	Craft Group
Wednesday, May 8	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study Group
Thursday, May 9	2:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Walking Group Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 12	9:45 & 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Christian Education Classes Baby Dedication-Emilia Rae Sawyer

THE GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearse

To our Guests, Members, and Friends: In the pew rack you will find a small brochure to give us the opportunity to get to know you and serve you better. Fill in where appropriate, and place it in the collection plate. Welcome and thank you!

THE PRELUDE

Please consider the prelude as an invitation to quietly, reverently prepare yourself for worship.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: "I praise You, Eternal One. You lifted me out of that deep, dark pit."
People: "You moved the shattered pieces of my life."
 Leader: "The deepest pains may linger through the night, but joy greets the soul with the smile of the morning."
People: "O, Eternal One, I called out to You; I pleaded for Your compassion and forgiveness."
 Leader: "Hear me, Eternal Lord—Please help me, Eternal One—be merciful."
People: "You did it. You turned my deepest pains into joyful dancing. My heart is ready to explode in new songs!"
ALL: **ETERNAL ONE, MY GOD, MY LIFE-GIVER, I WILL THANK YOU FOREVER.**

(from Psalm 30, The Voice Bible)

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***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 270**

Joy to the World!

***THE INVOCATION AND GLORIA PATRI**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearsse &
The Community

*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.*

INTRODUCTION OF DR. SHOEMAKER

The Rev. Dwight Mays

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Rev. Dr. Martha D. Kearsse

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!
Reply: **And also with you!**

THE GOSPEL READING

John 21:1-17

Rev. Kearsse

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF COMMUNITY, THE MORNING PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Kearsse

*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 trespasses, as we forgive
those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

THE OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 431 (remain seated)

Shine, Jesus, Shine

THE GIFTS

Offertory Moment and Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology - No. 815

Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal arr. Alice Parker
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

THE MESSAGE

The Continuous Conversion

Dr. H. Stephen Shoemaker

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself at this time. If you prefer not to present yourself, you may speak to the minister after the service to effect membership. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a profession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to renew their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

***HYMN No. 375**

Jesus Shall Reign

***THE BENEDICTION**

Dr. H. Stephen Shoemaker

***THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Hallelujah (excerpt)
The Messiah*

G. F. Handel

***THE POSTLUDE**

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- * The ushers will seat those waiting.
 - * Those who are able will please stand.
 - * Hearing aids are available from the ushers.

Copies of last week's sermon and the prayer list are in the narthex.

Offertory Emphasis

This week, we give in honor of Brook Hill Farms and the way this organization helps young girls and young women to get through hard times in their lives. We are grateful for the ways we can partner with organizations doing good work in the world, and thankful for the opportunity to do our part.

Please join me in prayer:

Lord, you have given us the gift of all of your creatures, and we are grateful for the ways we are offered healing through contact with our dogs and cats and horses, and with the natural world around us. We offer our gifts toward the many ways you use these creatures for healing. Amen.