

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship (*condensed & online*)

May 17, 2020 – 6th Sunday of Easter

GATHERING ...

The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

***Call to Worship**

Ashia Stoess

Leader: Happy are those who delight in God's teachings.

People: And meditate on them day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted in streams of water.

People: Yielding fruit in due season and their leaves do not wither.

ALL: LET US DELIGHT IN GOD TOGETHER

Call to Confession and Prayer (*unison*)

Gracious God, you encourage us with your love, bringing new life out of death. We confess that we need your life-giving power in our lives and our relationships. We have hurt others and been hurt by them. We are often angry or afraid. We are not sure when to assert our needs and when to care for others' needs. We continue to live in ways which do not lead to peace and justice. Forgive us, O God. Pour your Spirit of wisdom and healing upon us, that by our lives and our loving, we may glorify you, through Jesus Christ the Risen One. In his name, hear our silent prayers of return ...

(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God loves us and frees us from all that we do to turn away from the transformative power of belief.

People: God hears our cries and questions, and promises to remain in covenant with us.

Leader: In the name of the Risen One, who came, who comes, and who is to come again, the heavy weight of our doubt is lifted.

People: We are forgiven and may begin again to love as Christ loves.

ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN.

***Response, Hymn 106** Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks
(refrain, stanza 3, refrain)

ALLELUIA NO. 1

HEARING ...

Anthem

Scripture Acts 12:1-19a

Sermon FOLLOW YOUR PATH Violet Sears, Student Minister

RESPONDING ...

Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

from A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

In life and death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgiving *For* and Thanksgiving *From* Violet Sears

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING ...

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response