

National City Christian Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter **May 3, 2020**

Prelude

Longing

Arr. Marvin Gaspard

Kevin Biggins, Jr., organist

Welcome and Announcements

Beverly J. Goines

Opening Hymn

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine; do thou befriend us; be the guardian of our way;
keep thy flock; from sin defend us; seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear thy children when we pray;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear thy children when we pray.

Early let us seek thy favor; early let us do thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still.

Pastoral Prayer (followed by The Lord's Prayer in Unison)

Steven Baines

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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:42:47

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They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Selection

I Need You to Survive

David Frazier

I need you, you need me, we're all a part of God's body,
stand with me, agree with me, we're all a part of God's body.

It is God's will that every need be supplied,
you are important to me, I need you to survive;
you are important to me, I need you to survive.

I pray for you, you pray for me, I love you, I need you to survive,
I won't harm you with words from my mouth, I love you, I need you to survive.

It is God's will that every need be supplied,
you are important to me, I need you to survive;
you are important to me, I need you to survive.

Sermon

Resurrection in Routine

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Hymn of Commitment *Spirit of the Living God* Daniel Iverson
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.
Text, verse 2: Michael Baughen

Invitation to Holy Communion and Words of Institution Steven Baines
If you have bread and juice to use at your home, we invite all to participate in Holy Communion
after the minister offers Words of Institution and Prayer for the Elements.

Hymn of Going Forth *They'll Know We Are Christians*
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

Refrain

Benediction Beverly J. Goines

Postlude *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* Arr. Marvin Gaspard
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scripture Thought: Since the beginning of the church believers have had to transition between resurrection and routine which can affect and challenge faith, finances, the very survival of the church. Can we find resurrection in routine?

Daily Prayer: Gracious and loving God, continue to reveal your divine vision to followers of Christ that we might find your resurrection power in the routine of our lives.

Prayers for Our Church Family

Douglas and Chieko Cook; Dorothy Davis; Eddie Franklin; Helen Gray; Constance Jennings; Jim King; Frederickia Lloyd; Tawanna Lloyd; Lucas Lund; Alta Mainer; Drusilla McCain; Beverly Schacht; Steve Selde; Wes Strotman; Kathleen Swihart; Gloria Taylor; Esther Tyson; Peggy Washington; John Foster Woods; and all medical personnel around the world.

Capital Area Prayer Calendar

First Christian Church
Hagerstown, Maryland

Global Ministries Prayer Calendar

Rosalind Gnatt in Germany

Message from Your Pastors

During these unprecedented times as the world responds to the coronavirus pandemic, we urge our members to stay connected with one another.

One way to stay connected with your National City family is to join our Saturday morning prayer call at 8 a.m. (712-775-7031; code 371015).

Please remember the vital ministries of our church by giving of our tithes and offerings on tithe.ly. Checks are being received in the mail and deposited weekly: National City Christian Church, 5 Thomas Circle NW, Washington, D.C. 20005. Stay healthy, pray without ceasing, and remember, God is faithful.

Rev. Steven Baines, Rev. Dr. Beverly Goines

Stay Informed: We encourage everyone to monitor their local and state governments for the latest news and coronavirus updates.

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/>

<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/>

<https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/>
