PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON John 13:31-35

LESSON FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 11:1-18

I Was Just Sure **SFRMON**

*HYMN #320 VS1-3 & 5

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND COMMITMENTS

Invitation to Offering

Mike Jarvis, Guitar OFFERTORY Trinitarian Doxology

*Response of Thanksgiving #607

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*HYMN #314, VS, 1,2 & 5

Christ, Be Our Light

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^{*}Charge and Benediction

^{*}Postlude



Our <u>Vision</u>: Make Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection relevant today
Our <u>Mission</u>: As a welcoming community of believers in Jesus Christ,
we will unite our faith and works to share God's love

Our <u>Values</u>: Based on our understanding of the Bible, New Hanover Presbyterian Church believes that love, acceptance, inclusion, redemption, mercy and equity are values Jesus Christ taught and demonstrated.

The Lord's Day, May 25, 2025

The Sixth Sunday in Easter

* = Please stand in body or in spirit • Unison responses are in **bold print**Greet each other in the name of Jesus and consider this reading as you prepare for worship.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. For he chose us in Christ before the creation of the world that we might be holy and blameless before God. (Ephesians 1:3-4)

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Thom O'Brien

Welcome Visitors!

Prelude Mike Jarvis, Guitar

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

*CALL TO WORSHIP Praise the LORD!

Adapted from Psalm 148

Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

Praise the Lord, all angels and all heavens host!

Praise the Lord, sun and moon; give praise, all you shining stars!

Praise the LORD fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling God's command!

Praise the Lord, earthly sovereigns and all peoples,

Princes and all rulers of the earth!

Praise the Lord, young men and women alike,

Old and young together!

Let them all praise the name of the LORD,

for God's name alone is exalted;

Our God's glory is above earth and heaven.

*Prayer of Adoration

*SONG

Better Is One Day

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Terry Nathan Diebold

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord Jesus Christ, you came to serve.

As you came to one born blind and gave sight,

come to us in our darkness

and show us the things we cannot see.

As you came to a one tormented in mind

and gave peace and healing,

come to us in our tensions and make us whole.

As you came to Lazarus, who was dead,

and brought him from the grave,

come to us in our deadness and bring us to real life.

Lord Jesus Christ, you came not to be served but to serve.

But we seek to get where we do not give,

to exploit whom we have not helped,

to use what we have not earned.

As you came to a dying thief and promised him paradise,

come to us now in forgiveness and give us hope.

In your name, Lord, we pray. Amen.

(silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

*Response of Praise #652 (v.1 & 3)

A Grateful Heart

THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN