

CONFESSION and PARDON:

L: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Maker of all things, Judge of all people, who with great mercy has promised forgiveness and deliverance to all who turn to You with hearty repentance and true faith, we confess that we have sinned against You and are hopeless without Your grace.

ALL: Have mercy upon us, O gracious Father. We are sorry for our sins and we are also grateful that You keep Your covenant and promises for those who love You with their whole heart. You are the Life of all, the Help of those who flee to You, the Hope of those who cry to You. Cleanse us from our sins, secret and open, and from every thought displeasing to Your goodness. Cleanse our bodies and souls, our hearts and consciences, that with a pure heart and a clear soul, with perfect love and calm hope, we may venture confidently and fearlessly to pray to You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Almighty God, our Father, who with great mercy has promised forgiveness to all who turn to You with hearty repentance and true faith, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from our sins, make us strong and faithful in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

We're glad you've joined us! May you experience God's love, the salvation of Jesus Christ, and the anointing of the Holy Spirit. May you leave here today changed and better equipped to serve our gracious and merciful God!

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Welcome! Let us worship together!
Clever Free Methodist Church

202 Kennedy Avenue, Clever, Missouri

May 5, 2024: 9:00AM Bible Study / 10:00AM Worship



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Service of Word and Table

6th Sunday of Easter – Color: White (Divinity/Purity)
10:00AM – May 5, 2024

❖ Free to Prepare for Worship:

- **Ringing the Church Bell:** *It's time!* (Psalm 122:1)

- **Prelude:** *As the music plays, let us find our seats to prepare our hearts and minds to worship and encounter God, our Father*

* **Welcome and Announcements**

❖ Free to Celebrate and Worship Together:

* **Holy Communion Proclamation** (Micah 6:8):

L: God has shown us what is good and what He requires!

C: **We will do what is right! We will love mercy and walk humbly with God.**

* **Invocation**

- **Hymn:** “*Love Lifted Me*” #505

Lighting of the Candles: *the lit candles represent the presence of the Holy Spirit to illumine the truth of God's Word to us.*

- **Prayer of Confession – Assurance of Pardon**
(Printed on the back of this bulletin)

- **The Communion Prayer of Thanks**

**ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts!
Heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord, most high. Amen.**

Today's Lesson: John 15:9-17
“*The Commandment*” – Pastor Charles

- **Affirmation of Faith:**

The Nicene Creed

L: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is one true Church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

* **CREED: Responsive Reading (Hymnal #717)**

- **Giving of Our Tithing and Offerings**

- Doxology #625

- Prayer of Thanksgiving

- **Requests and Praises**

- **Pastoral Prayer**

- **Lord's Prayer**

- **HOLY COMMUNION -**

❖ Free to Go Forth and Serve:

- **Hymn:** “*They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*” #284

Closing Prayer – Congregation Responds (#622):

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.

- **Benediction:**

L: *May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;*

ALL: May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be ours now and forever. Amen.

* **May Lay Leader:** Barbara Brown