



"A Community Of Many Faithing Communities Where All Belong!"

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Welcome To Worship

May 13, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Ascension Sunday



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.



*On a spiritual quest? Reached a tipping point? Reach out to Tippe! You are important to us.
 In Christ, there are no strangers, only new and wonderful people to meet each day!
 If you are visiting today, please be sure to sign our Guest Book at the back of the sanctuary
 or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.
 Our pastor would be glad to call you or pay you a personal visit.
 Just let us know as you sign in...and take a Welcome Packet, too!
 Come back often. We care! We are open for faith! Affirming and open to all!*

Helpful Worship Information



We're Glad You've Come.

*This is a safe place, a sanctuary of worship and prayer,
 comfort and justice-seeking for all God's people and all
 are welcome here
 ...just as you are.*

Our church is a safe sanctuary for children.

We are proactive to protect our children with trained staff, enlightened volunteers, and aware congregants.

No concealed weapons of any type are allowed on Tippecanoe Church premises.

Our children are invited to remain in worship with us. *The exception is first and third Sundays of the months during the program year when our families host "Children's Church" right after Kids' Time.*

We ask children be accompanied by an adult at all times throughout our morning together!

During worship, children are welcome to use a book, stuffed animal, or crayons and papers from the bottom shelf of the cart at the back of the sanctuary. We want the sanctuary to be home to them.

When your child (1st grade and under) is restless, when you are, when those around you are...

you're/we're probably asking too much of everyone. Please let your child be in the nursery at times like this. Please return borrowed "goodies" to the cart after worship.

Infant through 1st Grade Care

is available all during worship down the stairs to the right to the "nursery."

In the order of worship, please note... the * indicates times to stand as you are able.

Today in Worship



*We open our hearts and minds to the texts,
 confronting the radical nature of God's wisdom.*



Ascension Sunday

In today's Wisdom Teachings point us to a new reality: Jesus has prepared us for the next step of faithfulness....on our own, but not alone! It is Ascension Sunday. Jesus goes ahead of us now. Now we prepare ourselves to answer the call and become the church as the Holy Spirit is given in Pentecost. We celebrate this Good News! Get ready!



Thanks for being here today!

*In deepest gratitude, we give God thanks
 for your presence with us in worship!*



WARNING....

If you take the Bible literally you may be disappointed here. We hope not, but we think you should know that we don't take *all* of scripture literally...
 any more than Jesus did,
but we DO take it all seriously.

As you enter, please use this time to greet friends, welcome newcomers, and join in the spirit of community.

As the music begins, gift yourself a few moments of quiet perhaps becoming present to your own life -- your desires and needs and joys. Perhaps using this photo and reflective question to center yourself.

God rejoices in your coming and meets you this morning in special ways that are meant just for you.

Based upon today's Bible Wisdom Teachings on this day.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday In Easter

Why do we worship? Think on this...

Worship is a human activity, celebrated in the presentness of God...the Sacred, rather than praise required of us by God. And so the "goal" is to help us know (head in our heart) how we relate as individuals to ourselves, others, world, universe.

To celebrate that relationship! To touch sources of creative transformation! To reinterpret our experiences! To reaffirm living in this world which is indeed our sacred and worshipful work to do!



Ascension Sunday

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## **WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY**

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- ✧ **Welcome and Community News**
- ✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

**Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!  
Surely God is in this place,  
Holy Ground!**

### ✧ **Prelude**

♦ *Lighting the Christ Candle*

- ♦ *Ring the Bell...an ancient tradition to clarify the air enabling our prayers to rise more easily to our God.*

### **Gathering As God's People**

#### ✧ **Becoming Present To God And Each Other**

One: We are Easter people of possibility!

**All: No Fooling! I am Easter possibility...personified!**

One: We gather in a holy place, a divine space...

**All: Where peace is spoken, loving kindness expected!**

One: Where grace is freely shown.

**All: Each is specially known!**

One: On this Ascension Sunday, newly we celebrate:

**All: Christ is risen indeed! We await Pentecost. We are called to a future of faithfulness marked by loving kindness and held in right relationship with all God's people and the whole of God's creation.**

*Please stand!*

\*✧Gathering Hymn #749 Hymnal

**“We Are Called”**

✧Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

✧Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

*Based upon today's  
wisdom teachings.*

**Lord, it is no easy thing to resist bad advice, avoid taking the path commonly taken, not take a seat with the scoffers. Wicked ways as the psalmist suggests...**

**In any moment, it's hard to stand on my own when so many take the “quick and easy way” out, and seem so “self-satisfied” as they do!**

**And, I have to admit, it's easier to recognize this shortcut when others take than it is to see it when I'm tempted to take it! I need some grounding!**

**O Holy One, plant me like a tree near the streams of Your just waters. Root me in Your “faith in me” so I can stand strong against the wicked...and the “wicked” within me.**

**Ground me in goodness so I will not wither when tempted. Help me see the fruits of my “growing trust” that You will prosper my life as I grow in faithing.**

**I need your Spirit. I await my Pentecost!**

✧A Moment With God For Each Of Us...

*You may wish to name with God a way you are being tempted to take the easy path that circumvents right relationship or to sit with scoffers; or you may share a way in which you feel planted in God's wisdom and name the fruits which now prosper your life; or you may simply invite Jesus to come sit beside you in the pew this morning shining his healing light all around and through you.*



Let there be some quiet. We will be “stilled” together  
for 5 minutes or so! You have time....go deeper....

*Janet will play the tune  
once through, then we will  
sing twice, starting softly  
and build to our full voices.  
By Richard Bruxvoort-  
Colligan. Used by permission  
Worldmaking Music.*

*Our Sung Response*

*You are invited to light a  
prayer candle now and  
anytime in worship you hear  
a prayer lifted or answered.*

*Please remain seated.*

✧ **Kyrie**

**Alleluia! The Word Of God is living!  
Alleluia! The gospel is among us!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✧ **Receiving God’s Grace...*God With Us Always***

✧ **Rejoicing In God’s Divine Care**

**Glory be to the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. A-men.  
Amen. A-men. Amen. A-men. A-men!**

✧ **\*Passing of the Peace...*Temenos!***

*Temenos is an ancient Greek concept of creating a safe space  
for others in which healing can take place in the midst of what is.*

**Held Within the Word**

✧ **And the Children Will Lead The Way: Kids' Time**

✧ **Hymn of Prayerful Preparation #469 Hymnal**

**“Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying”**

✧ **Bible’s Wisdom Teachings and Reflection**

**Psalm 1  
Acts 1:1-9, 12-17, 21-26**

One: This is the way our story is told.  
God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

**All: Thanks be to our God.**

*Feel free to use the space offered for your personal reflections!*

## ✧ Prompting

*"Ascension Sunday"*

*"We're Not In Kansas Anymore!"*

Pastor Karen Hagen



## ✧ A Moment Of Personal Reflection...

*Please use space on for your personal reflections!*

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧ Affirming Our Faith With Intention

**God calls all of us into ministry.  
God will give us the Spirit to answer our call.**

**When our language oppresses & the stories of many go untold...**

**When authority binds rather than liberates...**

**When we discern God's voice but then go our own way...**

**When new directions are not even considered...**

**When children are not seen and the chronologically gifted not heard...**

**God calls all of us to ministry and  
gives us the Spirit to answer the call.**

Please call Patti at 630-674-1272 if you would like the Tippe Prayer Chain to lift a special prayer for you this week.

All prayers are confidential and shared with Pastor Karen.

*Members & Friends*

*Tippe Ministry  
Spiritual Leaders:*

*Elder*

*Deacon*

*Staff*

*Community*

*Outreach Partners*

*Divine Intervention  
& Arts and Science*

*Literacy Camps*

*Faith Communities*

*Partnering in Ministry*

*Current Issues Calling Us  
To Prayer*

## ✧ Naming Our Gratitudes, Joys, and Concerns

### Throughout This Week Let Us Pray For...

...continued abundance and celebration of possibility as God grows Tippe's ministry.

...the continuing flow of guests who grace us with their presence.

... these members, spiritual leaders, staff and communities:

♦ Patti Heneghan and Shirley Hudy

♦ CE

♦ Josh Zaller

♦ Nancy Hartmann

♦ Janet Blanco

♦ Common Ground and MICAH

♦ Holding Guests, Hosts, and Staff into the light of our prayer!

♦ Holding Teachers, Artists, Children and their Families in the light of our prayer!

♦ Bayview United Methodist Church

♦ Employment

♦ Immigration Reform

♦ Torture Awareness ♦ God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

## ✧ Quieting Ourselves For Prayer



From Worship and Praise,  
# 27, "Cares Chorus."  
Please listen and then sing  
once.

## ✧ Sung Call To Prayer

**I cast all my cares upon You;  
I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet.  
And anytime that I don't know what to do,  
I will cast all my cares upon You.**

## ✧ Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

## Giving Thanks To God

### ✧Offering Ourselves

**In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!**

### ✧Offertory and Sung Response

**Hymn #710 Hymnal "We Are An Offering"**

**"We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
We lift our lives up to You!  
We are an offering, we are an offering."**

### Sending Forth With Blessing

### ✧\*Departing Hymn #273 Hymnal

**"He Is King of Kings"**

### ✧\*Benediction

***...Our Affirmation and Invitation  
to Become a Living Blessing***

### ✧\*Our Response

**Holy One, now we your servants go in peace.  
Your word lives on in us.**

### ✧Postlude

As you leave, you are invited to linger longer enjoying sanctuary time. The kneeler is also available for a time of quiet prayer. Please take a copy of a previous prompting from the Cart in the back for your own or another's enrichment!

*Richard Bruxvoort Colligan,  
adapted, with permission*



# Tippeca-News May 13, 2018

*So glad you have come.*

*Join us for Tippe Café right after  
Worship here in the Sanctuary!*

*All Are Welcome!*

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Tippe*

**Parlor Class Sundays in May-  
Crossan video series by New Paradigm:  
The Challenge of Paul**

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** first and third  
Sundays of each month after Kid's Time in  
worship! Our families will teach us!

**Monday Nights 6:30pm:**  
**Sanctuary Time of Belonging meets**  
**tomorrow night!**

Come for this worshipful time of self-reflection and  
theological thinking as we informally gather around  
table in the sanctuary, closing each gathering in  
prayer and communion.

**Shared Wisdom Circle** meets Wednesdays  
10:30am in the parlor as we reflect on our  
individual and corporate lives through the lens of  
the wisdom teachings...*lectio style!*

**AA Meeting** on Wednesdays at 7pm in Study  
Lounge.

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters*

**Center yourself...Sunday Centering meets**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 6pm.** Join us for a time of  
quieting, opening us to the Holy within

**One Blessing** meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** evenings  
in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

**Thursday Centering** meets 2:30pm in the parlor.

## UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!

### **PENTECOST WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

#### **NEXT WEEK!**

Please bring lots of red flowers to share  
throughout the neighborhood!

Our next ASLC Science Saturday is May 19th.  
To know more, email [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com)!

**Lunch Bunch** meets at noon on first Tuesday of  
each month 11:45am at Applebee's on Holt Avenue.

**Zensational Yoga** for children meets third  
Sundays in Sanctuary at 1pm.

### **Brave Places Letter Writing/Calling Meet-up**

**Where: McDonald's at 6<sup>th</sup> and Oklahoma**  
**When: 1-2 pm on First Sundays!**

### Sung Meditation - Threshold Singing



First Friday Nights monthly, 6:30-8pm.

## Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

**One:** Easter invites us to a life of conscious choice knowing we are loved! And, if we will choose differently....everything becomes different. Yet, nothing changes...unless we change. And we can change....our attitudes, our routines, and so, our very lives.

As we worship, we are prompted to think in new ways about God, the world, and ourselves.

Each with our own beloved story, shaped anew by our Holy Story,  
**Let us in our common voice,** lift our prayers out loud to our God  
as we use the reflection on Page 4 to guide us.



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### **Tippe-Ministers**

*All are ministers every day in every way in the world.*

#### **Today in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Wondrous Musician ..... Janet Blanco  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Carol Meverdan  
Worship Hosts..... Jerry and Jay  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
*Living Waters* Staff  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

#### **Next Sunday in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Director of Music Ministry. .... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate ..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host ..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader ..... All of Us!  
Worship Hosts ..... Nancy and Larry Hartmann  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
*Living Waters* Staff  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

**Email Pastor Karen directly at [pastor.tippechurch@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.tippechurch@gmail.com)**

**If you have questions regarding our missions and how you can help, please email: [sustainingtippe@gmail.com](mailto:sustainingtippe@gmail.com).**

**To assist with sharing our supper (SOS meals), please contact email: [sosmealsdi@gmail.com](mailto:sosmealsdi@gmail.com).**

**To assist with Larry Under The Bridge, please contact email: [lutbtippedi@gmail.com](mailto:lutbtippedi@gmail.com)**

**If you have donations for Project Home, please contact email: [projecthomedl@gmail.com](mailto:projecthomedl@gmail.com).**

**For more information about Arts and Science Literacy Camps, please contact email: [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com).**

Find us at [www.tippechurch.org](http://www.tippechurch.org) or on Facebook at Tippecanoe Church!

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