

#### WELCOME

Recognizing the wide welcome offered to all through Jesus Christ, Community Church opens its arms to all. We strive to offer Christ's wide welcome to all people, regardless of creed, age, race, or sexual identity.

We invite you to join our congregation in worship and in membership,
as we allow our lives to be shaped by the loving outreach of Christ.



"Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch" by Herbert Boeckl

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 25, 2021

C<sub>2</sub> Service (Live-Stream Only) 8:30 a.m.

Chapel Service (In-Person Only) 8:30 a.m.

SANCTUARY AND LIVE-STREAM SERVICE 10:15 A.M.

#### COMING HOME FOR THE SEASON OR NEW TO THE CHURCH? WELCOME.

Covid 19 Protocols Made Simple

- 1. Wear a mask: required while on the church campus.
- 2. Follow Floor Signs in the Sanctuary: One way in and one way out. Arrows mark your path.
- 3. Socially Distance: Please observe pew signage as you choose your seat for worship.
- 4. SHARE OFFERING: In the wooden boxes at each entrance to the Sanctuary and Chapel, on-line or mail in by check.
- 5. Take Bulletin: Please re-cycle your bulletin at home.
- 6. Enjoy Hospitality: Cookies will be provided after worship for you to enjoy.
- 7. For Chapel Only: We invite you to join us for worship after you have been fully vaccinated.

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

\*Please rise in body or spirit. Thank you for wearing your mask throughout the service. **Bold** text indicates congregational participation. Our Sanctuary service is live-streamed via internet, capturing the chancel and congregation, and may appear on social media. During 10:15 a.m. worship, children are invited to join Lia Peters in the Narthex for Sunday School after Passing of the Peace. Families are always welcome to worship together during service.

Nursery Care is available for children under the age of four.

# THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**PRELUDE** 

"A Rejoicing"
Alfred Fedak

Jill A. Truax, organ

Bringing in the Light

Duke Thompson

COMMUNITY WORDS

Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

A MOMENT FOR GRATITUDE

Judy Lafage

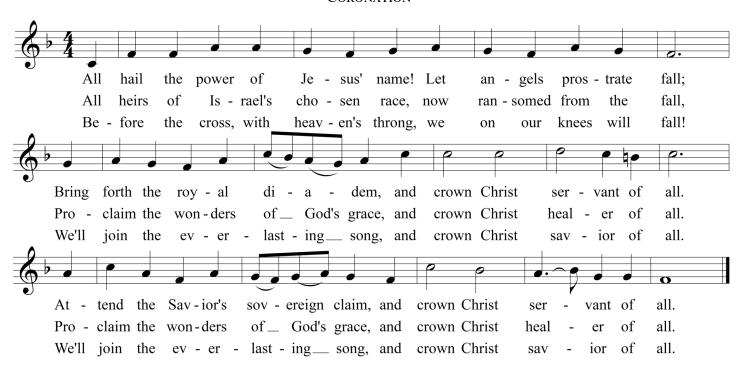
# THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

Rev. David W. Johnson

\*OPENING HYMN

# "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" CORONATION



\*LITANY Kendall Wyckoff

One: God's Spirit guided the earliest followers of Christ.

All: They were led to unexpected people and places.

One: God's Spirit gave insight and wisdom to Jesus' followers.

All: The words of the law and prophets were focused onto the person of Jesus.

One: God's Spirit left footprints of Joy.

All: All who experienced the Spirit were filled to overflowing.

One: Let us pray...

#### \*Unison Prayer of Invocation

Spirit God, you seek out people from all nations and cultures, inviting us to new life in Christ, and filling us with joy. Spirit God, you send your people out to share the scriptures and invite those we encounter into the Christ life with us. Spirit God, fill our worship today that we might go on our way from here, rejoicing. In the name of the Risen One we pray. Amen

\*Easter Doxology

Text: Stephen Fearing

ODE TO JOY

Death has died, no longer holds us; God's embrace and love endure.

Never ceasing, always blessing, grace has found us, made us sure.

God the Alpha and Omega, gives us life anew each day.

Christ has died and Christ is risen; all our fears have passed away.

\*Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland-8:30 Rev. Elizabeth B. Johnson-10:15

Children grades K-5th may join Lia Peters in the Narthex for Sunday School. (10:15 a.m.)

# ATTENDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTIPHONAL READING FROM THE PSALTER



Cantor

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Cantor

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Rev. David W. Johnson

One: From the very beginning, the church has been led by the Spirit.

All: We listen for the Spirit of God in the words of the scriptures.

Acts 8:26-32

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

#### CONTINUED READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Acts 8:33-39

"Like a sheep he was lead to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

RESPONSE

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: God's Holy Spirit will be our guide.

ANTHEM

"The Road Not Taken" *Randall Thompson* 

Community Quartet-8:30 Chancel Choir-10:15

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood And sorry I could not travel both And be one traveler, long I stood and looked down as far as I could To where it bent in the undergrowth.

Then took the other as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassing and wanted wear;
Though as for that he passing there
Had worn them really about the same.

And both that morning equally lay In leaves no step had trodden black. Oh, I kept the first for another day! Yet knowing how way leads on to way, I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh.
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood,
and I—I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

"He went on his way rejoicing." Acts 6:39b

Invitation to Prayer

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

"Hear Us As We Pray, O Lord" Boyd Bacon

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Invitation to Offering

Kendall Wyckoff

MUSICAL OFFERING

"O Jesus, Every Moment" Philip Stopford Community Quartet-8:30 Chancel Choir-10:15

O Jesus, ev'ry moment be in my heart and mind; O Jesus, stir my heart with sorrow for my sins; O Jesus, fill my heart with never-failing love; O Jesus, sweet Master, never part from me.

O Jesus is my King, my friend, and my love; O Jesus is my shelter from sinning and from death; O Jesus, my gladness, my mirror all my days; O Jesus, my dearest Lord, never part from me.

O Jesus, be forever in my heart and in my mouth; O Jesus, be forever in my thought and my prayer; O Jesus, be forever in my quiet mind; O Jesus, my sweet Lord, do not leave me alone.

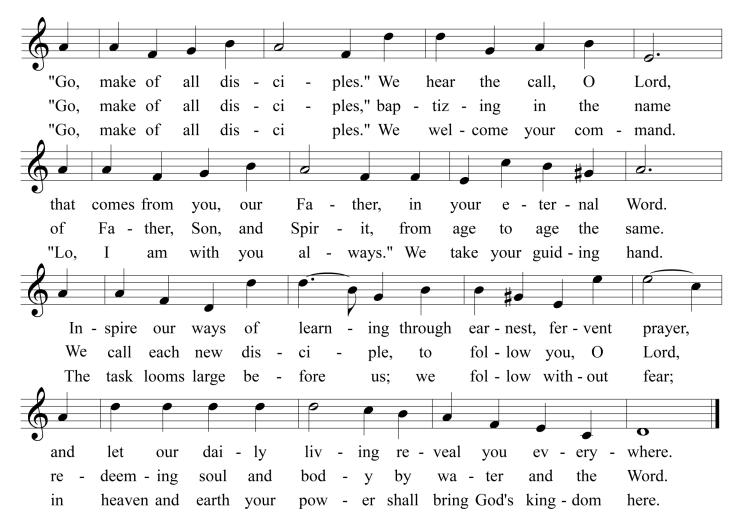
#### Unison Offertory Prayer

Spirit God, we offer these gifts joyfully, trusting that they will share your life-giving Spirit with people near and far. Use them to feed hungry bodies and nourish spirits that are hungry for meaning. Use them to satisfy the deepest needs in our world. Amen

#### THE SENDING FORTH

#### \*CLOSING HYMN

# "Go, Make of All Disciples" LANCASHIRE



\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

"Psalm XIX"
Benedetto Marcello

Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland

Andrew R. Galuska, organ

# IN WORSHIP TODAY

**DEACON:** Kendall Wyckoff **ACOLYTE:** Duke Thompson

THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE DEDICATED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND GIVEN... in Thanks to AOB and EFB from us.

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP...

<u>NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 2ND</u>: The sermon titled, "Worthwhile Without Proof" based on Acts 15:1-11 will be given at each worship service.

# Ways to Join Us:

- C<sub>2</sub> On-line Only: 8:30 a.m. at ccovb.org or facebook.com/ccovb.org
- Chapel Worship: 8:30 a.m. In-person in Grace Chapel.
  - We are not able to observe social distancing due to limited space in Grace Chapel.
  - We encourage all to be fully-vaccinated to attend.
- **Sanctuary Worship**: 10:15 a.m. In-person and Live-streamed at ccovb.org or facebook.com/ccovb.org.
  - Vaccination is not required to attend Sanctuary Worship.
  - Masks remain a cordial requirement.
  - Thank you for showing love for your neighbor by observing posted distancing guidelines.

 $\underline{C_2}$  In-Person Worship:  $C_2$  worship has returned to Community Hall! In May we have not one, but two in-person services: May 6th and May 20th. If you are unable to join us in-person,  $C_2$  will continue to broadcast on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. After Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, we will take a short break. Keep an eye out for more information.

<u>Sunday School Volunteers</u>: Calling all teachers! We are looking for volunteers to teach Godly Play classes for Sunday School. If you are interested and available, please contact Sunday School director Lia Peters at lia.peters@ccovb.org.

# STAYING CONNECTED

**LIVE-STREAM VIEWING:** To watch our services on live-stream, please do one of the following:

- Visit our web page at ccovb.org.
  - Go to the top right and click on the small camera icon.
  - Or, scroll down to the box titled 'Livestream Our Service Here.'
  - ° Click on live-stream in the image;
- Go to our Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/CCOVB.org).
  - Scroll until you see the live-stream.
- Go to https://livestream.com/watch.
  - Type "The Community Church of Vero Beach." in the search box.
  - Click on the drop down box for The Community Church of Vero Beach, and the livestream page will come up.

**FACEBOOK:** If you would like to receive a daily word of hope please visit our Facebook Pages:

- The Main Church Facebook page may be found at: www.facebook.com/CCOVB.org
- Rev. Dr. Copeland's Wednesday Minster's Blog: www.facebook.com/AnnaVCopelandBlog
- The C<sup>2</sup> Facebook page may be found at: www.facebook.com/C2Worship
- The Children and Youth Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CommotionYouth
- The Music and Fine Arts Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CCOVBDepartmentOfMusic

<u>Church Office Hours</u>: Church Office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Our office staff is practicing social distancing. Please help us by observing the posted guidance.

#### THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY...

SUNDAY FUNDAY APRIL 25TH: There will be no Sunday Funday this week, April 25th.

**SACRED PAUSE:** There will be No Sacred Pause this week, April 26th.

LIFE-LONG FITNESS: There will be No Life-Long Fitness this week, April 26th or 28th.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: There will be No Men's Bible Study this week, April 27th.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** There will be no Women's Bible Study this week, April 28th.

WEDNESDAYS @ 1:00 P.M. FACEBOOK LIVE: There will be no Wednesday @ 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28th.

YOUTH ADVENTURE CLUB: Middle School Youth Adventure Club meets Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Contact Rev. Josh at joshua.longbottom@ccovb.org for the location each week.

<u>Call for Greeters</u>: Are you looking for a way to be more connected and involved at Community Church? The Fellowship Board is looking for Greeters to welcome all who come to worship on Sunday mornings. We need people willing to be "on call", but also those willing to greet on a regular schedule once a month. You pick the Sunday. It could be the first Sunday of every month or the second or third, your choice. If you are interested please contact Sue Schrager at 772-538-9457 or Paige Sturgis at 772-473-0019. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

# **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**PERSONAL COUNSELING**: Individual or couples counseling for personal anxiety, depression, or relationship issues etc. is available at NO cost from Rev. Dr. Donald R. White on Wednesdays. We are fortunate to have this highly qualified professional who is willing to offer his expertise and guidance. Call Suzanne Rice to schedule an appointment at 772.469.2303.

<u>Pastoral Visitation</u>: If you or a family member is in the hospital, our ministers will be happy to visit. Current hospital policy states that you must request a visit to allow a ministerial visit in the hospital. After requesting a visit, please notify the ministry staff by emailing Suzanne Rice at suzanne.rice@ccovb.org or calling the Church Office at 772-562-3633.

<u>CONTACT A MINISTER</u>: During this time we want to stay connected to you. Each week there will be a minister on call whom you may contact by email for conversation, pastoral care, or prayer. Our minister on call is Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland. You may contact her at annavcopeland@ccovb.org.

PRAYER: If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, there are numerous ways to submit a request. Fill out a prayer card during Sunday worship and drop it in an offering box in the Narthex. Email Suzanne Rice at suzanne.rice@ccovb.org or submit through our church website, www.ccovb.org. Call the Church Office at 772-562-3633.



# MUSIC AND FINE ARTS

MARION C. LINK SCHOLARSHIP: The Community Church of Vero Beach Music and Fine Arts board is pleased to offer a Music Scholarship for the fall of 2021. This scholarship is in the name of Marion C. Link and was founded by her family in 1997. The scholarship is available to residents of Indian River County who will be pursuing a music major or minor in college. An application and audition will be required. The deadline for consideration is June 1 2021. Those interested in more information may contact Rachel Carter at rachel.carter@ccovb.org.

<u>Wednesdays</u> @ 1:00 p.m.: Wednesdays @ 1:00 p.m. will welcome a new feature beginning in May! In addition to tours and interviews of the fine arts, we will now include a series called "Performer Spotlight" featuring local musicians. These broadcasts will be on our church facebook page: www.facebook.com/ccovb.org.

# **MISSION-COMMUNITY CARE**

MISSION WATCH: Senior Resource Association of Vero Beach. SRA provides services to support and advocate for independence and dignity of older adults in Indian River County. They provide nourishment, supervised socialization, transportation and information referral services for seniors and their families in order to keep seniors healthy and in their own homes for as long as safely possible. Senior Resource Association is recognized as the lead agency in Indian River County for home and community-based services for seniors and adults age 18 and older that need supervised care in a safe and welcoming environment. Community Church supports this important work with seniors in our community.

#### **INDIAN RIVER LAGOON CLEANUP:**

We have an opportunity to take action. On Saturday, May 1st we will take part in a cleanup mission at the Indian River Lagoon. Meet at MacWilliams Park Boat Ramp. The mission begins at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$15 to rent a kayak (or you can bring your own). Picnic lunch will be provided at 12:00 p.m. at the Vero Beach Marina. Call Scott Turner at 772-633-7164 or the Church Office to sign up for this important mission project.

How WE CAN HELP: If you are facing health issues, have been furloughed, or lost your job and are in need of support for food, housing, or medical assistance, Community Church has support for those within our church family. Please contact:

Rev. David W. Johnson at david.johnson@ccovb.org or Rev. Dr. Anna V. Copeland at annavcopeland@ccovb.org.



#### **COMMUNITY LIFE...**

### How You Can Help:

- Share prayers online at www.ccovb.org or pray for others.
- Connect through calls to friends and neighbors, and continue with Circle of Care calls.
- Contribute through donations to the CCOVB general fund, the Deacons Fund, or the Minister's Discretionary Fund to support the work and outreach of Community Church.
- Serve through mission initiatives. Contact Rev. David W. Johnson for more information.
- Connect with and support members and friends of the Church by writing letters.
- Let your ministers know through the Church Office who may be in need of assistance.

# **GIVING**

ON-LINE OR TEXT GIVING: We appreciate your generosity as we seek to continue the work of God in Vero Beach. For your convenience, you can give either by texting or going online to our website. Your information is held securely by a SSL encrypted connection, will remain private, and is never given away to third parties, other than to process your scheduled contributions.

- **Text to Give:** Text a dollar amount to 772-222-3393. After you set up an account, you will be able to text a designated amount any time you'd like, just by sending the dollar amount to the number.
- On-line Giving: Visit our website at www.ccovb.org. Click on the "GIVE" tab and follow the instructions. You can give one time or set up recurring gifts.
- **In-house Giving:** Please place your offering in the wooden Offering Boxes, by the doors in the Narthex as you leave worship today.
- Give By Mail: You may also mail a check to the Church Office.



#### LOOKING AHEAD...

**MOTHER DAUGHTER TEA:** Please join us for this special Tea Party for mothers and daughter of all ages! On Saturday, May 1st at 3:00 p.m. we will enjoy high tea, including homemade scones! Wear your favorite hat and gloves. Call the Church Office today!



**SAVE THE DATE:** C<sup>3</sup> **FINE ARTS CAMP:** This summer from July 26<sup>th</sup> to July 30<sup>th</sup> our music and fine arts camp returns! "Water, Water Everywhere: Music, Fine Arts, and Eco Justice" will welcome campers ages 5 to 10 for daily workshops in music, movement, fine arts and more! Registration opens soon. For more information contact Rachel Carter at rachel.carter@ccovb.org or Lia Peters at lia.peters@ccovb.org. Keep an eye out for more information as we near the opening of registration.



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