


**WELCOME TO
THE PREAKNESS REFORMED CHURCH**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
*May 10, 2026 at 10:00 AM***



*“The Spirit empowers us to be the Church,
to be the kingdom for now, in the world.”*

- Professor and Minister William Loader

 Congregation standing, as able

GATHERING IN THE JOY OF EASTER

PRELUDE

“Mary Did You Know?”

Arr. Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

 LITANY FOR MOTHER’S DAY

Lord, on this day that some spend time remembering and honoring mothers in their lives.

We give you thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands and gave it to us.

Thank you for the sacrifices that people make for children. We thank you for the women in our lives who blessed us and loved us.


Women who inspired and shaped us to be who we are today.

We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us.

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother or someone special in the past year.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ’s resurrection.

Now bless us all this day in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

 OPENING SONG OF PRAISE 579 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

ST. DENIO

 SALUTATION

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

(The children are invited to Sunday school at this time.)

 SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

(Please share the peace of Christ with one another.)

THE MESSAGE OF EASTER

ANTHEM

"For the beauty of the earth"

F. S. Pierpoint, Arr. John Rutter

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 17:22-34

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

"You looking for something?"

RESPONDING AS EASTER PEOPLE

SONG OF RESPONSE **757** "O Word of God Incarnate"

MUNICH

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

Presentation

Heather Kroll & Glenn O'Connell

Ordination and Installation

 Congregational Vows

Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, do you receive in the name of the Lord these Elders, Heather Kroll and Glenn O'Connell, as duly elected and ordained servants of Christ?

We do.

Do you promise to respect Heather and Glenn for the sake of the office for which they have been chosen and ordained?

We do.

Do you promise to encourage and pray for them, to labor together in obedience to the gospel for the unity, purity, and peace of the church, the welfare of the whole world, and the honor of our Lord Jesus Christ?


We do.

Beloved people of God, please receive Heather and Glenn as Christ's own servants. Support them in love, that their work may bear fruit. In the name and by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, we declare that Heather Kroll and Glenn O'Connell are duly installed as Elders in this church.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

PRAYER OF BLESSING...concluding with 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.**

 **CLOSING SONG 204** "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosana" HYMN TO JOY

 **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "In the Garden" Arr. Lynch

Assisting God's people in worship are Pastor Eric Nichols, worship leader; Cathy Tanis, liturgist; Laura O'Connell, worship host; Tech Team; Chancel Choir; Kevin Lynch, accompanist; Dan King, Director of Music Ministries.

🌀 Calendar and Notices 🌀

- Sun, May 10 9:15 am Sunday Scripture (Nan's Room)
10:00 am High School Sunday School (Oxbow)
10:00 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
10:10 am Sunday School
- Tue, May 12 9:00 am Helping Hands
- Wed, May 13 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- Thu, May 14 12:00 pm Brown Bags and Bibles
- Fri, May 15 6:30 – 8:00 pm PRC Adult Night Out (Parlor)
- Sat, May 16 10 am – 12 pm Adults RISE training
- Sun, May 17 9:15 am Sunday Scripture (Nan's Room)
10:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Safety Presentation (Sanctuary)
10:15 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
11:15 am Youth Group
- Mon, May 18 7:30 pm Consistory Meeting (Parlor)

The flowers in the sanctuary were given by Charles R. Schmitt in remembrance of his parents' anniversary.

Please include in your prayers of intercession: Tammy Venti, Barbara De Berry, Alice O'Connell, Jannie van Drimmelen (Corine Miller's mother), David Terpstra, Dave Vanderbush, Christina Gaboda, Priscilla Durkin, Eileen (Roben Roon's cousin), Jac Young (Glenn O'Connell's uncle), Skip Dahl, Frank Minutolo, Domenick Carofine, Janet Wright, Peggy Carroll, Cindy Van Lunen, June Jesch, James M. (friend of Kim Goerg), Tiffany Nix and her brother, Donald, and those awaiting diagnosis or undergoing treatments.

We've been spring cleaning! Please support our efforts to "clean out our closets" ...if you have something you'd like to donate to the church (clothing, food items, etc.) that isn't part of an active collection, please clear it with the church office before dropping it off. *Thank you!*



Applications for the 2026 PRC Memorial Scholarship Awards are due today! Please adhere to all directions and timeline. Any questions, please call or text Joan Vanderbush at 201-245-9844. *Parents, if your children do not receive emails from PRC, please pass along this information.*

PRC is hosting an ADULT NIGHT on Friday, May 15th, from 6:30-8pm in the Parlor and Courtyard. It's been a while since we had an adult night, and we couldn't think of anything better than getting together with our PRC friends for some laughs before the "hectic" end of year festivities start. Please bring a snack to share, and feel free to bring a drink to enjoy - beer and wine are great choices. Looking forward to a relaxed, fun evening with everyone. Hope you can make it! Questions? Reach out to Annie McKay 973-303-5449.

Our annual Grove clean-up will be after worship on Sunday, May 31. We can use as many helping hands as we can get to prepare for outdoor services this summer and fall. Feel free to wear your "yardwork" best and BYO wheelbarrows, shovels, and metal garden rakes.

🌀 Assisting in Worship 🌀

	<u>May 10</u>	<u>May 17</u>
<u>Flowers</u>	Heather Kroll	Gaye Servideo
<u>Counter</u>	Lydia Powers	Ken De Berry
<u>Head Usher</u>	Heather Kroll	Kris Macagney
<u>Ushers</u>	Nancy Sindt	Dan Macagney
	<u>Brandon DeLeonardo</u>	<u>Ellie Wattenbach</u>

Amanda Declet
Priscilla Durkin
Jennie Franklyn
Bill Weston

Hannah Kudrik
Donna McKeon
Glenn O'Connell
Heather Kroll

Ken De Berry
Jennifer Graf
Tom Powers
Tim Coyne
Martin McKay

Jessica Amato
Gaye Servideo
Vicki Lefelar
Christina Gaboda

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