

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Brandon Elliott.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are Dale and Christy Pedersen.

### Church Staff

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### THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.

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*Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there!!*



## THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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(\*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

**May 10, 2020**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

**GATHERING**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

**We gather to worship in the name of Jesus the Christ, our living cornerstone, who, though rejected by the world, was chosen and precious in God's sight. And like living stones, let us be built up into a spiritual house for God, offering sacrifices of worship and praise that glorify God. Come let us worship God together!**

\*HYMN NO. 361

“O Christ, the Great Foundation

## THE WORD

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Gracious God, on this day, when we celebrate all the good mothers and witness to the eternal love of Christ, remind us that we are responsible for caring for each other. We are called to lift up, rather than tear down; to support, rather than abandon; to reach out when others have turned away. Give us hearts of love that, in all places and times, we may be a witness to the hope that is found in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Patient and forgiving God, we come to You this day seeking to be close to You once again. Forgive us for living as if we doubted that You have put everything under Christ or that He is in control of all creation. Forgive us for pretending the You do not see and know everything, even the things we think we do in secret. Forgive us for choosing to listen to those who distort Your truth and being misled by them. Help us instead, Father, to be secure in Christ, to delight in our unity with Him. Make us more like Him day by day as Your Holy Spirit works in us. Lead us onto be more Christ-like in our attitude toward You and toward all people. Amen.**

**✠ Moment for Silent Reflection ✠**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PSALTER

*Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (Pg. 505)*

NEW TESTAMENT

*Acts 7: 55-60 (Pg. 126)*

EPISTLE

*1 Peter 2:2-10 (Pg. 233)*

**L: Word of God for the people of God  
P: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 353

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

## SENDING

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*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.**

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION