

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
May 24, 2020  
Northside Presbyterian Church

GATHERING MUSIC – “Vorspiel” by Hesse – Andrew Thomas on organ

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT – “*God Is My Strong Salvation*” (*Sacred Harp*)

CALL TO WORSHIP

*We have gathered over the internet—new followers and lifelong disciples,  
the powerful and the powerless, those who have too little and those who have too much.*

**We have gathered, for we are one in Christ.**

*We have come—seekers and skeptics, sinners and saints, the poor in spirit and the rich in faith.*

**We have come, for we are eager to hear God’s word.**

*We are here, together in spirit, if not in body.*

**Let us glorify the one true God.**

HYMN – “*Thine Is the Glory*”

**Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

**Refrain:**

**Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**

**Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)**

**No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!  
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.  
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)**

PRAYER OF PRAISE

CONFESSION

**Loving God, we do not always bring honor and glory to your name. We are rebellious and weak; we flee before your goodness. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us by the grace and mercy of Christ, that we may rise up again in peace to love and serve your world. Amen.**

**(silence)**

GOSPEL – John 17:1-11 – Lucian Robinson

OFFERING OF MUSIC – *“Deep, Settled Peace”*

NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 1:6-14

SERMON – *“Waiting”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN – *“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”*

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone!  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:  
“Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood.”**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise: “I am with you evermore”?**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

*Chorus (sing twice)*

**Call Down a blessing, call down a blessing, call down a blessing, call down.**

**Peace before us, peace behind us, peace within us, and around us.**

*Chorus (sing twice)*