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“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

8:25 am Worship

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Daymark Worship

Gathering Prayer and Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Prayer

Song of Preparation "Jesus Lives, and So Shall I"

Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bless the Lord, who makes our hearts glad.

Come, let us worship the Lord who is the source of our hope, our joy, and our life!

*Hymn UMH #304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

*Opening Prayer of Confession

Jesus, our Risen and Resurrected Savior, we come before you from different paths: some of us certain of your joyful presence in our lives, some of us not so certain of the hope of being touched by your joy. Forgive us when we doubt your presence and fail to trust in your power to change us. We come today, reaching out to you like Thomas: for understanding, for hope, for joy, for all that is imperishable, undefiled and unfailing. Meet us here, today, in all your power and consolation, and place your life and hope within us. AMEN.

*Assurance of Pardon

In great mercy, God has given us a new birth into a living hope, for it is the risen Christ who stands in our midst and says, "Peace be with you!"

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

*The Peace *(As forgiven & reconciled people, let us show one another signs of reconciliation & love.)*

First Scripture Lesson Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Dina Murray

Open Altar, Open Heart *(As "Call to Prayer" is sung, all are invited to come to the altar for morning prayer led by a Pastor.)*

Call to Prayer "Let It Breathe On Me"

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

* Apostles' Creed UMH #881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Gloria Patri UMH #71

Children's Celebration

"Jesus Loves Me" (UMH#191) *(Sung as the children come forward)*

Anthem "Now the Green Blade Riseth"

*Gospel John 20:19-31

Sermon "Do You Believe Because You See Me?"

Rev. G. Kevin Baker

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory "Depth of Mercy"

*Doxology UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn FWS #2196 "We Walk by Faith"

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude "The Way of Resurrection"

* Please stand as you are able.