

Welcome To Worship



Sunday, April 23, 2023 3rd Sunday of Easter

****Those who are able may stand***

**PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP
PRELUDE MUSIC
CALL TO WORSHIP
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
INVITATION TO REST**



***OPENING SENTENCES (Responsive)**

We hear the voice of Jesus:

We feel our hearts burn within us.

Therefore, we come here to lift our voices to God.

And look for his grace all around us.

The risen Christ is here in this place:

Alleluia!

***GATHERING HYMN #611....."Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

KYRIE

(Please join us in the "Kyrie", an ancient song that mirrors the words people used to cry out to Jesus for healing in the scriptures. In Greek they mean, "Lord, have mercy". The church has sung these words for thousands of years as prayer and to prepare our hearts for confession.)

Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)

Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)

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Christe Eleison

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CONFESSION OF NEED (Responsive)

Eternally patient God,

We ask again and again, "what should we do?"

And again, and again you tell us, "Repent and walk in my ways".

Yet we do not change.

Falling into old habits, clinging to stale ideas, seeking lifeless comforts

We take for granted the grace you have given.

So, once again, we ask for your forgiveness.

We confess we need new eyes only you can give
and the courage to live a faith that is about “changing”,
Not just “joining”.

Show us the way forward
and help us to return, once again, to you.

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SILENCE for confession and resting In God’s grace.

DECLARATION OF GRACE (Responsive)

Siblings in Christ, Hear the Good News:

The God who overcame death on the cross

Moves now to bring new life to you. You are forgiven.

Hallelujah, Praise the risen Christ!

***RESPONSE HYMN #627.....”I Love You, Lord” x2**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Responsive)**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And Also, with you!**

Let us share a sign of God’s peace with one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Wonderful Words of Life”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker’s ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING..... 1 Peter 1:17-23

Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING..... Luke 24:13-35

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SERMON

Rev. Greg Isaacson

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

PRAYERS & GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER (forgive us our “sins”)

***HYMN OF THE DAY #838.....”Standing on the Promises”**

***BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)**

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

Alleluia! Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #263.....”All Hail the Power”**

***DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

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Calendar for this week:

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11:45 am Coffee Fellowship

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Ushers & Greeters.....	Bill & Gloria Watro
Organist.....	George French
Music Director.....	Sandy Perkins
Reader.....	Sandy Perkins

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Thursday, April 27

1 pm Book Study

6 pm Session Meeting

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