

All: And also, with you.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.



The Prayers of the People

Meg Yanevski, Damian, David, Doug Hoffman, Erin Fitzpatrick, The Family of Len Eckman, Lionel Stewart and Family, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lindner and Family, Lisa D'Imperio, Bill Becker, Rachel Ledden-Albadine, Gregg Powell, Rev. Bruce Gillette, Ted Galm, Joanna Miller

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.

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

Thank you for feeding us at this table, Lord, where we are welcomed, forgiven, and blessed. Help us who recognize our Lord in the breaking of the bread to see and serve him in all whose lives are broken. Amen.

***Hymn No. 529** "Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether"

***Benediction**

***Benediction Hymn No. 295 "Go to the World!" (verse 1)**
"Go to the World! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia! Alleluia!"

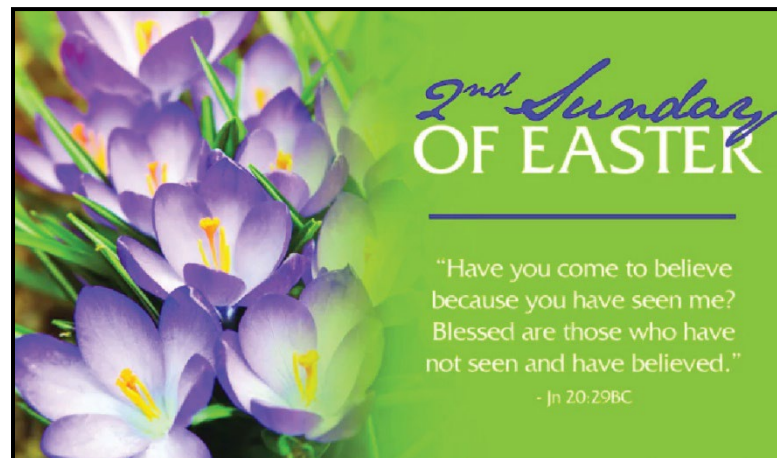
Postlude "At Easter-tide" - *Stanford*

*Please stand if you are able.

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Ushers	Mike Ballard & Margaret Ginter
Liturgist	Darlene Powell

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10 AM Worship Service ❖ April 7th, 2024
 Second Sunday of Easter
 Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

"The danger is not lest the soul should doubt whether there is any bread, but lest, by a lie, it should persuade itself that it is not hungry."

- Simone Weil

Gathering Hymn: #390 "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord" (*sung 3x*)

Welcome & Sharing Information

Call to Worship

One: Luke tells us that "when he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him

All: Whenever we break bread, help us to recognize you, Lord. in our selves, in our neighbors, and in our enemies, and set our hearts on fire to proclaim the miracle and power of your resurrection to the whole world.

***Hymn No. 525** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are the best friend we could ever have, but we confess that we ignore you most of the time. We don't think about our actions. We only come to you when we want something. We hurt our friends, our neighbors, and the world because we don't listen to you. Forgive us, Lord. Return us to you, so that your love's power can transform our lives. Reform us and renew us, so that we can follow your example, love our neighbors, and obey your will.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance

One: Jesus gave his life to tear down the wall between ourselves and God and restore us in love through his body and blood. This is perfect love, that reunites us with God and makes us whole once more.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Hymn No. 581** "Glory Be to the Father" "Glory be the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you. **All: And also, with you.**

Anthem "Easter Anthem in Celtic Style: Christ Lay in Death's Strong Bands" - *arr. Norris* Sanctuary Choir

Time with Children (*Dismissal to Sunday School*)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: Psalm 133 **Old Testament** pg. 575 **LP** pg. 706
2nd Reading: Luke 24: 13-35 **New Testament** pg. 90 **LP** pgs. 109-110

Sermon "Recognition" - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

Affirmation of Faith (*Confession of 1967*)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. We ascribe to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

Offertory "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" - *arr. Cherwien*

***Doxology No. 606** "Praise God...All Blessings Flow"

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

***Unison Prayer of Dedication:**

Generous God, every good thing that we have comes from you, and without you, we would be nothing. Accept our humble offerings, not because of their size, but because they come from thankful hearts longing to serve you. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.