## Service for the Lord's Day

Second Sunday in Easter

April 27, 2014

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

We give you thanks, O Lord, for your creation. Teach us to love and care for our world and for our neighbors. Make us mindful today of earth and water. May we recognize the preciousness and the holiness in all your earth and all its waters. Amen.

Gathering

**PRELUDE** Selected

Sally Hosea **WELCOME** 

\*INTROIT #26 "Earth and All Stars!" (v. 1-2)Johnson, 1968

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship our God, the Lord and Giver of Life.

Creator, give us the waters of new life.

In the deserts of our lives, in the wilderness within,

Creator, give us the waters of new life.

To give us hope, when our lives run dry, to give us strength when our world seems barren,

Creator, give us the waters of new life.

To let peace flow like a river and love spring forth like a fountain,

To give us and our world a second chance and a new beginning,

Creator, give us the waters of new life.

#### \*HYMN #15 "All Creatures of Our God and King" (v. 1, 2 and 6)

Williams, 1906

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Afraid that God will find out how faithless we are, we try to lock up our hearts so God cannot see our foolish lives and failures. Let us confess our sins to the One who offers us peace and healing, as we pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

### SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hear the echoes of our locked hearts, Creator God. We multiply the sorrows of others by our hurtful words and harmful deeds. We see the earth you give us to serve, but we neglect and abuse your gifts, we waste and pollute your world. Have mercy on us, O God. Help us to cleanse, conserve, and share. Help us to live justly, simply, and wisely. Teach us to care for the earth and all water. Help us to serve, defend, and restore your creation. Help us to

believe that this is our challenge, and to lean on that faith which enables us to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies. Walk in it, and find rest for your souls." Our Lord forgives!

We are standing at a crossroad. Together let us seek the good way and find rest for all of God's creation. We are loved by God! Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

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Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

**ANTHEM** 

"Risen Today" Bert Lowe

**Cutter**, 1993

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Bibles, p.632/ LG. p. 823

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN #36

"For the Fruit of All Creation" 1 Peter 1: 3-9

Bibles, p.218 / LG. p.282

Green, 1970

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**SERMON** 

"A New Birth into a Living Hope"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

### Responding

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"This good and almighty God created all things, both visible and invisible, by his co-eternal Word, and preserves them by his co-eternal Spirit, as David testified when he said, 'By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth.' And, as Scripture says, everything that God had made was very good, and was made for the profit and use of humanity. Now we assert that all those things proceed from one beginning." This, we believe. Amen. - The Second Helvetic Confession 5.032

### CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### Sending

\*HYMN #20 "All Things Bright and Beautiful" (v 1 – 3) Alexander, 1848

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #20 *"All Things Bright and Beautiful" (v 4)* Alexander, 1848 POSTLUDE Selected

(\*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

# Into the Church Triumphant Helen K. Crim

April 18, 2014

This week's prayers and concerns: Darrell Crim, Jody Best, and the family and friends of Helen Crim Travis Reynolds, Bob Hays, Jane & Tolly Dill and Diane Dill, Neil & Mariella Pennal, Jack Clark, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, and the staff and leadership of Grace Presbytery.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
Sun	04/27	8:30-9:30a.m.	Chancel Choir Practice
Mon	04/28	4:30p.m.	Adopt-A-Block
Wed.	04/30	4:30-5:30p.m.	Kids for God

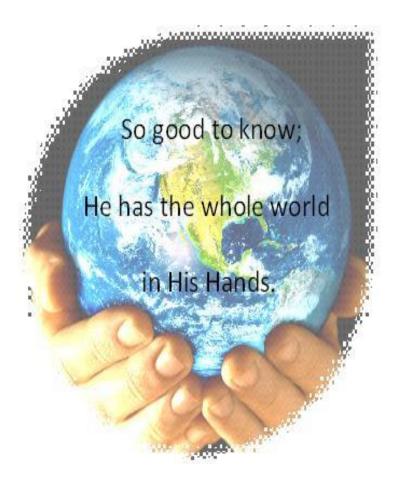
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