

Service for the Lord's Day

Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2014

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

*When every day seems the same, when every road seems the same, when every loss weighs us down,
When everyone ignores us, when everything disappoints us,
You walk with us, you talk with us, you teach us to hope in you, Dear Lord.*

Gathering

PRELUDE #250

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”
May Hymn of the Month

Sleeth, 1986

WELCOME

Kathy Porter

*INTROIT #254

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

Neale, 1852

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God's promise is for us, and for all.

Repent, be baptized, and receive the Holy Spirit.

Lift your voices to God.

We call on the One who promises to hear us.

In life, in death, in every moment, God deals graciously with us.

We rejoice in the One who saves us.

We will break the Bread of life in thanksgiving to God.

We will join the Christ at His Table, and drink deeply from His cup.

*HYMN #238

“Thine Is the Glory”

Hoyle, 1923

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we confess our lives, we are calling on God who promises, not only to hear us, but to heal us. If we are willing to trust God and offer our confessions, God will forgive us and fill us with hope. So let us pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Living God, we confess that we look for the living among the dead. You speak to us through your living Word, but we refuse to listen. You feed us with the Bread of Life, but we hunger for other things. Forgive us again, O Lord! Give us new life. Lead us to repent

and remember the promise of our baptism – the life that death cannot destroy, through the Risen Savior we pray. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

***“Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.”***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This we know for certain - we are forgiven by our gracious God. This good news never ceases to astound us!

This promise is passed on to us, so we may pass it on to everyone we meet. Thanks be to the Holy One! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to 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.

#580

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Psalm 116: 1-9

Bibles, p.533 / LG. p. 694

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN #525

“Let Us Break Bread Together ”

Costen, 1988

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Luke 24: 13-49

Bibles, p.85/ LG. p.109

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Waiting While Walking to Emmaus”

Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“The church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament.” This, we believe.

– The Theological Declaration of Barmen 8.26

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Those who are able may come down the center aisle to be served. If you prefer, please remain seated and the elements will be brought to you. The outer rings of the communion tray contain grape juice and the inner rings contain wine.

Sending

*HYMN #839 ***“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”*** Crosby, 1873

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #839 ***“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” (chorus only)*** Crosby, 1873

POSTLUDE Selected

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

This week’s prayers and concerns the family of Johanna Kim, on the death of her son Tobias, the family of Helen Crim, the family of Melinda Orr, Neil & Mariella Pennal, Travis Reynolds, Jack Clark, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, and the staff and leadership of Grace Presbytery.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun.. 05/04	8:30-9:30a.m.	Chancel Choir Practice
Wed. 05/07	4:30-5:30p.m.	Kids for God
Tues. 05/13	5:30 p.m.	Italian Supper

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