

A Service for Worship
 May 8, 2022 ~ 11:00 am
Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ Mother's Day



The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Song of Welcome

“God Welcomes All”
**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
 God's love is strong and it never ends.**
Sing 3 times

Greeting

May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you

Chimes of the Trinity

Gathering Music

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Call to Worship

1 John 4, selected verses

Beloved, let us love one another because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

Opening Prayer

****Hymn of Praise**

“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!”

No. 251

Prayer of Praise and Confession

Gracious and loving God, we come praising the risen Christ. We come in gratitude for the Life of the church. We also admit we stray from your path for us. Forgive us when we neglect the needs of our neighbors. Shepherding God, show us the way with your love so that we may love and forgive others. Guide our feet in our ministry and mission. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon**Response to Forgiveness**

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
Amen.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**Welcome the Children**

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

Choral Anthem

“Celtic Prayer”

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 25:19-34

Message "Where Two or Three are Gathered, Someone Spills the Milk"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

****Hymn of Response** "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" No. 802

Prayers of the People and 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

****Song for Sending** "We Are Marching in the Light of God" No. 853
Stanzas 1-3

****Blessing**

****Sung Response** "We Are Marching in the Light of God"
Stanza 4

**We are singing in the light of God;
we are singing in the light of God,
We are singing in the light of God;
we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing, we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing, we are singing in the light of God.**

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Today's Sanctuary Flowers are given by Joe and Maggie Lhotsky, in celebration of all mothers and Maggie's birthday.

Worship leaders:

Robert Lapp, Interim Pastor

Joanna Hipp, Associate Pastor

Laurie Russ, Director of Music

Chancel Choir with Lucy Hedblom, Eli Hedblom and Courtney Russ, Musicians

Ginger Hedblom, Liturgical Artist

Judy Wetzig, Liturgist

Sharon and Don Byrum, Greeters

Laura Norris and Don Hazelton, Ushers

Sandy Kaufhold and Judy Wetzig, Nursery

Jude Skowron, Elder of the Month

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