All Are Welcome in God's House

April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Caster

The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

(Persons nearest the aisles are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the middle of the pew. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned toward the aisles.)

Prelude

He Lives!

arr. C. Tornquist

TRURO

Call to Worship You came to earth for us. Thank you, Jesus! You died for us. Thank you, Jesus! You came back to life for us. Thank you, Jesus! And you gave us ways to remember how much you love us. Thank you, Jesus! Come, let us worship the Lord.

*Hymn 246

Christ is Alive!

Prayer of Confession
Řísen One,
like those disciples on the road to Emmaus,
we too do not understand your life, death, and resurrection.
We get caught up in our own thoughts.
Our time gets over scheduled.
We allow our lives to get crowded and we in turn
become distracted from what is important.
It is a struggle to recognize you in the everyday journey of our lives.
We seek your wisdom amidst our questions, your forgiveness for our blindness, and your constant presence all along the way.
Hear us, as we silently confess our sin

(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.



Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 23 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 501

Time with the Children

(After the message, children ages four through sixth grade may leave for Children's Worship Time, in Rooms 203 and 207. The children will return to worship for the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.)

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during the offertory.)

Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

(To give online or via text message, click the "Give" tab at the top of our website.)

Offertory

Come, O Come Our Voices Raise Gina Ricci, Logan Laudenslager, Eve Sheldon Malcolm Archer

Come, O come, our voices raise, sounding God Almighty's praise; hither bring in one consent heart, and voice, and instrument. Alleluia!

Sound the trumpet, touch the lute, let no tongue nor string be mute, nor a voiceless creature found, that hath neither note nor sound. Alleluia!

So this huge wide orb we see shall one choir, one temple be; where in such a praiseful tone we will sign what God hath done. Alleluia!

This our song shall over-climb all the bounds of space and time; come, then, come, our voices raise, sounding God Almighty's praise. Alleluia!

*Congregational Response 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

New Testament Lesson: Luke 24:13-35 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"The Last Time I Saw Jesus"

Rev. Becca Bateman

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

(Ăs you receive the gluten-free elements, please hold them until all have received that we may share in this meal together.)

Pastoral Prayer

 *Hymn 251
 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia
 MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

 *Benediction
 *Postlude
 Psalm 19
 B. Marcello

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Assisting: Rev. Pauline Sexton Lay Leader: Linda Rutkosky

The flowers are given today to the Glory of God!

The **joy of the congregation** is shared with Elizabeth Watkins and Matthew Pecora upon their wedding at DPC this week. We hold this couple in prayer as they embark on their union together.

In the spirit of worship, we remind you:

- To please silence your cellphones.
- If you need to enter or exit the sanctuary during the worship service, please do so by way of the rear of the sanctuary and side aisles.
- Children are welcomed in worship. However, if your child becomes uncomfortable, feel free to use the nursery for children aged 9 months to 4.5 (just across the bridge), or the Pray-Ground (a space to watch worship while kids participate in quiet activity) in the Celtic Cross Room, located below the sanctuary. Ushers are here to assist you.

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