

3rd Sunday of Easter – May 1, 2022 – 9:15 AM

Gathering Music & Announcements

Jeff Beyers, Organist

Call to Worship (Responsive; Psalm 118: 24-25 & 28-29)

This is the day that the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we ask you, O LORD.

You are my God, and I will praise you. You are my God; I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. God's mercy endures forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn*

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

UMH 315

Opening Prayer* (Unison, Prayer by Rev. Jess Abell)

God of New Life, fill us with your life-giving breath, that we may be strengthened and focused on your path. Fill us with your life-giving breath, that we may slow our pace to a more natural rhythm. Fill us with your life-giving breath, that we may re-ignite our hearts again and again. God of New Life, you are the Spirit that binds all creation together. We gather before you as one in your holy name; Amen.

Hymn*

Come, Let Us with Our Lord Arise

TFWS 2084

Special Music

BAUMC Chancel Choir

Prayer of Confession & Silent Prayer

Bob Sherman

Words of Assurance (II Corinthians 5:19)

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you always. **And also with you. Amen.**

Scripture

Acts 9: 1-9

Bob Sherman

Hymn

Seek Ye First

UMH 405

Sermon

"Is Christ Really In Everyone?"

Rev. Byron E. Brought

Reflective Organ Music

This moment of reflection is an opportunity to consider your response to God.

How will you demonstrate your love for God? How will you give of your time, your talents, and your treasures?

Communion & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn*

Agnus Dei, Michael W. Smith

Alleluia! Alleluia! For the Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia! Alleluia! For the Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia! Holy! Holy! are you Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb; worthy is the Lamb
You are holy, holy, are you Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb; worthy is the Lamb. Amen

Benediction & Sending Forth*

Organ Postlude



Continued Prayers: Art Benson, Paul Bowden, Wanda Denver, Doug Ellington, Christine Gregory, Jim Hainley, Sandy Hainley, Stephanie Juchs Heidbreder, Carolyn Higgins, Nancy Jenkins, Wes Jenkins, Pat Jones, Sandy Juchs, Bob Lemmon, Linda Lemmon, Carol Lingelbach, Ted Lingelbach, Joy Merryman, Bruce Middlekauff, Richard Miller, Robert Miller, Sally Moen, Alice Paradise, Warren Pardo, Jack Potter, Pat Potter, Corinne Smith, Annie Stearn, Ron Stearn, Deanna Stielper, Patti Tooman, Paula Van Hart, Lauren Wessel.

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to Mark & Jodi Lovell and Jodi's family for the passing of Jodi's brother Jay.

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to Deb Lampton and family for the passing of Deb's mom.

Altar Flower Dedication: The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of our amazing parents Dorothy & Edward Panowitz Sr. – Never forgotten. Love Skip & Dave

Confirmation Worship Choir – Calling all music-loving people, ages 4 to 104, expert or beginner, (this means everybody) to join in a song of welcome for our confirmands into our church family on Sunday, May 22 at 9:15 am. Rehearsals will be held in the sanctuary immediately following the 9:15 am services on May 1, and May 8. Choir Director, Kristen Brought, will provide the music. You provide the joy!

Festival of Flowers - Saturday, May 7, 8 am - 1:30 pm

Assorted hanging baskets, tropical plants, annuals, perennials, designer pots, garden art
Proceeds to support the Zimbabwe Medical Mission & Ukraine Relief

315 – *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought forth Israel into joy from sadness;
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,
led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen;
all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal;
but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing
that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

"Alleluia!" now we cry to our King immortal,
who, triumphant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal;
"Alleluia!" with the Son, God the Father praising,
"Alleluia!" yet again to the Spirit raising.

TFWS 2084 - *Come, Let Us with Our Lord Arise*

Come, let us with our Lord arise, our Lord who made both earth and skies;
Who died to save the world he made, and rose triumphant from the dead;
He rose, the Prince of Life and Peace, and stamped the day forever his.

This is the day the Lord has made, that all may see his love displayed,
May feel his resurrection's power, and rise again, to fall no more,
In perfect righteousness renewed, and filled with all the life of God.

Then let us render him his own, with solemn prayer approach his throne,
With meekness hear the gospel word, with thanks his dying love record,
Our joyful hearts and voices raise, and fill his courts with songs of praise.

405 - *Seek Ye First*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!