

Were not our hearts  
burning within us ...  
while he was opening  
the scriptures to us?



*Welcome to*  
St. Paul's United Church of Christ  
April 26, 2020

Luke 24:32, NRSV

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♦ All who are able may stand

**Welcome**

**Praise & Worship**      [“Fix My Eyes”](#)

**Call to Worship**      [Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19](#)

**Prayer of the Day**

**P:** O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of the bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Hymn #38**      [“Ye Servants of God”](#)

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Gracious God,

**People:** Have mercy upon me. I confess that I have turned away from You, knowingly and unknowingly. I have wandered away from the new life that You offer to me. I have strayed away from your Love that You offer to me. Turn me back to You, O Lord. Give me a new heart and a right spirit, that I may live my life to Your honor and glory. I pray this in the name of Christ, Amen.

**The Offering**

**Time for Personal Prayers and Prayers for the Church**

**Reading of Scripture**      [Acts 2:14a, 36-41](#)

[1 Peter 1:17-23](#)

♦ [St. Luke 24:13-35](#)

**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.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever.

## **Song**

*"I Will Rise"*

## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Sermon** *"The Emmaus Road: Our Journey with Christ"*

– Pastor Bill Long

## **Hymn #712**

*"Be Still, My Soul"*

## **A Prayer for All of Us Through These Days**

L: Lord God,

P: The Creator and Preserver of all people, I pray for



**Your presence to be with me through these days. May your saving help and grace be given to me and may your Holy Spirit anoint me with Your peace. I commend to Your loving care all those who are ill and afflicted with this flu (especially do I now pray for ....) may Your love be my strength through all suffering and afflictions, I pray this in the name of Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.**

## **Benediction**

### **4-26-20 Sermon Notes**

**St. Luke 24:13-35**

St. Luke talks about Jesus teaching some disciples about Moses, the prophets and the Psalms. We do not have what he said about them, but I found some things for the Spiritual Life that the reformer Zwingli (1484-1531) wrote. Here they are, think and pray about them.

1. Pray that God will always renew our heart.
2. Pray that God will fill our hearts with His love.
3. Pray that God will strengthen us through the storms of life.
4. God's word will always comfort us.
5. We are called to love one another.
6. We are called to live out the Gospel. (see the Beatitudes)
7. When you are renewed, show that in your living.
8. May we always have peace in our hearts.
9. May what we do always give glory to God.
10. When we know the joy of the Lord, there will be peace in our hearts.

## Announcements – April 26, 2020

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**Prayers of the People:** Family & Friends of Richelle Platt & Jonathan Pumphrey; Marilyn Barnard, Storm Brewer, Sally Bright, Lori Dietz, Marie Durborow, Alison Dyer, Eric Eaby, Fred Engle, Lynn Foard, Brooke Gabster, Stephen Glaus, Jennifer Green, Hedy Hontz, Susan Houck, Mary Kiphorn, Jaxson Kulp, Cheryl Lauer, Bev Leibold, Adalyn Lotito, Wayne Martin, Jennifer McCracken, Carole Meckley, Tabitha Miller, Glen & Delores Mumma, Woody Myers, Lori Nissley, Bob Prince, Rhonda Raia, Jack Reed, Bob & Joanna Schreiber, Eric Smeltz, Linda Steiner, Christopher Trostle, Lisa Weaver, John Wenger, Patrick White, and Teen Central kids.

**We Pray** for those whose hearts are fervent with love for your Gospel God, that they are empowered to tell the story of your love in their lives and to safely show hospitality in response to this love.

**Offering Options:** Your offering is a part of worshipping God. St. Paul's offers several options for you to continue your offering: 1) mail your offering to the church office; 2) if you use online banking, use the Bill Pay option; or 3) set up direct withdrawals – contact the church office at 717.665.2447.

**The April Mission of the Manheim Central Food Pantry.** Your contribution to this mission helps families in our community meet a basic need – food! Please use your April special envelope to support these families in need.

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Sunday Worship: 9:30 am ONE Worship



**All Church Events have been cancelled**, at last until at least Friday, May 8 due to the Coronavirus. Feel free to call the church office at 717.665.2447 or check our website for updates.

- ◆ Food Bank Volunteers are needed to help pack food on Mondays & Thursdays from 10 am-12 noon. There is little contact with clients. Please call Carol @ 717.664.1097 if you are willing to help out.
- ◆ If you have questions about anything you've heard today, please feel free to contact us. We'd love to talk with you and get to know you! Pastor Bill Long's Office Hours are Tues-Fri. 9 am-1 pm. For other times, call the church office @ 717.665.2447.
- ◆ If you need Pastoral Care - if you are hospitalized or in crisis - please notify the church office at 717.665.2447 during weekday hours, or for **emergency** weekends, please call Pastor Bill Long directly at 717.228.0949.