

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*\* Those who are able, please stand.*

Preparation for Worship

Prelude *Morning Has Broken* Blake

*As you open your mind and your heart to God's presence in our midst, we invite you to prepare for today's service as you listen to the prelude, which marks the beginning of worship.*

Lighting of the Candles

\*Congregational/Choral Introit *Christ is Alive!* # 180 v.1

Call to Worship Congregation **(Bold)**

Followers of Jesus, by his cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin.

**Alleluia!**

By his rising we are free from the fear of death.

**Alleluia!**

By his love we are made new in the living and enduring Word of God.

**Alleluia!**

Thanks be to God!

Greetings & Announcements

*Visitors: please fill out a visitor's card and place in the offering plate at offering*

Passing of the Peace

\* Hymn of Praise *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!* # 341

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you, O God, that we have been caught in the web of the world's sin. By the power of the Holy Spirit, save us from these deceptions and free us for glad obedience, that we may see the joy of Jesus' resurrection and receive the promise of everlasting life. Amen.

(Silent Reflection)

Assurance of New Beginnings

Sharing Faith with the Children

(Children ages 3-9 may go to Children's Church)

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Preparation *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* #370

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-27 Congregation

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem *Just a Little Talk with Jesus* Derricks/Pethel

Second Scripture Reading Luke 24:28-35 # 90

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts

burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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Sermon Pastor David Fuentes

\*Affirmation of Faith Congregation

It is through Christ's reconciling work that we are the church, united to God and to other believers. As the church, we are the salt of the earth. We are the light of the world. We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. As the church, we are witnesses by both word and deed. We proclaim the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells. As the church, we proclaim that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered sin and death. God conquers irreconciliation, hatred and bitterness. As the church, God's life-giving Word and Spirit enable us to live in a new obedience, God opens new possibilities of life for society and the world. We declare ourselves ready to venture out on the road of obedience and reconciliation-- servants of the God who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people.

\*Gloria Patri Congregation # 579

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.

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Prayers of God's People

The Lord's Prayer Congregation

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.

Offerings of the People

Offertory *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

\*Doxology # 592  
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\* Closing Hymn *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* # 155

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction *Christ is Alive!* # 180 v.5

Postlude *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him* Blake

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**MEMBERS:** Ada Carson, Corrine McCain, Vern Miller, Peggy Cuddington, Martha Parker, Verna Quidley, Margaret Brown, Jane Armstrong, Barbara Hopewell, Cliff Meadows, Matthew Cedars, Terry Powell, Max Armstrong, Pat Morgan, Walter Powell and the family of Virginia Powell, Joan Wilson and the family of Glenn Wilson.

**FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH:** Catherine Ciin's mother, Hellon Matthews (former member), Ralph & Leigh Powell (Walter's brother & family), Jimmie Boyd, Deborah Glisson, Fred Cornford and the family of Lowell Marsh, Glenn Wilson (Joan's husband), Peggy Barber (friend of Beth Doran), Eliza Williams (Tillie Jones' sister), Pat Peterson & Diane Manley (friends of Jean Foss), Mary Gover (Charlene Gover's daughter -in-law), Jim Schneider (friend of Rob & Diana Thompson), Peggy Owen (Jean Boyd's sister), Ashleigh Randell (Terri Randell's daughter), Maxine and George Fisher and the family of Tim Fisher, Mabel Weatherly (friend of Peggy Cuddington), Carol Cherry, Christine Smith (friend of the Thompsons), Eddie Austin (Charlotte McConnell's brother), Elizabeth Brock and the family of Agnes Brock, Denise Plourde (friend of the Thompsons), the family of Mavis McGowan Alder (Irene Brock's sister), Caroline Wrigley (Evelyn Wrisley's daughter-in-law), Rosemary (a friend of Ellie Burns' daughter), Robert Gilleski (Lia Gilleski's father-in-law).

**ASSISTED LIVING:** Betty Harrison (Homeplace)

**DEPLOYMENTS/MILITARY:** Evan Austin (Peggy Cuddington's grandson), Cole Brown (Margaret Brown's grandson), Nick Zimmer, England, and Shannon Webster, Germany, (both Joan Zimmer's grandchildren).

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**SERVICE SCHEDULE**  
 Week of April 30

Elder of the Week	Jeff Chittick
Liturgist	Jim Slaughter
Ushers	Carolyn Caton
	Sally Cornford
	Lee McConnell
	Whit Morgan
Acolyte	Aurora Glisson



**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sunday	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Nursery/Children's Church
	10:30 am	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Karate
Thursday	9:30 am	Nifty Knitters
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir

**Service for the Lord's Day**

**Sunday, April 30, 2017**  
 Third Sunday of Easter  
**10:30 A.M.**

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