

4th Sunday of Easter 2019

THE GATHERING



Schönberg/Kretzmer

Ringing the 1887 Bell

Carillon Processional

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Les Misérables Medley"

* Call to Worship

One: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

One: Blessing and honor is yours, O God.

All: Glory to God forever. Alleluia!

* Opening Hymn #772 "Live into Hope"

Prayer of the Day (unison)

Almighty God, to whom all honor belongs, you have gathered a people from every tribe and language to praise your name eternally. Join our song with all of heaven as we worship you this day in the glorious light of Christ. Amen.

Ministry of Music "Stars" Schönberg/Kretzmer
(Soloist ~ Nick Myers Olson)

Call to Confession

One: God is present to guide our journey and eager to forgive us when we go astray; therefore, in humility and faith, let us confess our sins against God and neighbor.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation. We repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: God's mercy overflows as a healing spring to cleanse us of our offenses; therefore, know that you are forgiven and receive new life in Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!

* Response #238 "Thine Is The Glory" vs. #3

* The Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you. (Take a moment to greet each other with the peace of Christ)

* Hymn #487 "These Treasured Children" vs. #3

Time for Young Disciples

Rev. Meggan Farwell

All: You're beautiful! God loves you! And we love you too!

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Shepherd of Souls, you call us to an abundant feast at the table of your word; open our hearts to feed on your goodness, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we might dwell evermore deeply in you. Amen.

Scripture Reading Psalm 23 Pew Bible – OT p.501

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Ministry of Music "I Dreamed a Dream" Schönberg/Kretzmer
(Soloist ~ Anna Parks)

Scripture Reading Acts 9:36-43 Pew Bible – NT p.128

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Hope" Rev. Dr. Luke Farwell

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* Affirmation of Faith The Confession of 1967 (see projection)
Book of Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Ministry of Music "Do You Hear the People Sing?" Schönberg/Kretzmer
(Choir & Friends)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

* Please stand as you are able

Bold type indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.

Handbell Offertory “Come Into God’s Presence With Ringing” Michael Bedford

* Doxology #353 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” vs. #1

* **Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

Holy God, Divine Shepherd, you anoint us with the oil of gladness; your love overflows our hearts. Accept our offering for the good of the world as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

Ministry of Music “Bring Him Home” Schönberg/Kretzmer
(Soloist ~ Nick Myers Olson)

* **Charge & Benediction**

* **Postlude** “Fugue and Harmonization on *O God, Our Hope in Ages Past*” Bach/Hopson



*Following worship, deacons will be available to pray with you
in the prayer room if needed.*

Our beautiful chancel flowers next to the pulpit are given by the Dzekute family in celebration of Logan’s 7th Birthday. The flowers under the cross are given in memory of Mary Larson by her family for Mother’s Day.

Assisting in Worship This Morning

Greeters: The Welle Family

Liturgist: Alex Foeller

Acolytes: Rhett & Ava Mehlberg

Ushers: Bruce & Rita Kilmer and Kip & Kellyn Pelegrin

Organist: Julie Mackey

Choir Director: Andy Parks

Handbell Director: Ted Huebbe

Elder of the Month: Amy Cassidy

Deacons of the Month: Barb LeMense & Kathy Thorpe

Tech Crew: Mark Young, Ted Huebbe, Steve Marks & Joe Williams

Fellowship: Amy Cassidy & Becky Dzekute

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