

*Your Friendly
Community Church*



April 14, 2024

*Third Sunday
of Easter*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Felecia Boyce

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before Christ, our redeemer –

People: Who was anointed by the Spirit of God to bring good news to the poor.

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before Christ, our Redeemer –

People: Who baptizes us with the Holy Spirit for bringing the reign of God to earth.

All: Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before Christ, our Redeemer!

***HYMN**

UMH #454

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

***PSALTER**

Psalm 4

UMH #741

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Laurie Brandes

We invite any children to participate.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

“Living for Jesus”

Choir

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

O God, you have such plans for us. Help us to see our lives with your heavenly vision. Let our earthbound eyes see our higher calling, that your will might be done. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

NT #85

Luke 24:36-48

SERMON

Rev. Laurie Brandes

“Hands and Feet”

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Dr. Lady Imperio

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #881

"The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version"

WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN

TFWS #2223

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

*BENEDICTION

*AMEN RESPONSE

"Let the Church Say Amen"

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Pastor Laurie is attending a Safe Sanctuary training conference April 17-19 out of town. She is off April 20-21. In case of emergency, please contact the church office.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 16

6:00 Group Prayer Session - Parlor

6:30 Leadership Team - Parlor

Wednesday, April 17

5:30 Choir Practice - Choir Room

Saturday, April 20

12:00 - 1:30 Food Pantry Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9am
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the parlor in the Education Building.

Children's SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the nursery in the Education building.

HEARING DEVICES

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Your prayers will be lifted up.

2024 FINANCES

2024 Budget = \$220,951.00

Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,249.00

Received for General Budget on 04/0724 = \$2,073.00

Received Year-To-Date (2024) = 32,533.00

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.