

Our Worship of God

Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024 ~ 10:30

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+This symbol invites you to rise in body as you are able, or in spirit.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Life of the Church Krissi Vandagriff

Gathering Prayer

Voluntary Ring Jubilee Youth Ringers

Susan E. Geschke

Serve the Lord with jubilation; Come before God with rejoicing.

Know that the Lord is God; It is God who has made us, and not we ourselves;

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courtyards with praise.

Give thanks to God, bless God's name.

-Psalm 100:2-4

Opening of the Bible and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Noelle Fillingham

+Call to Worship – Psalm 96 (from The Message by Eugene Peterson)

Sing to God a new song!

Earth and everyone in it, sing! Sing to God—worship God!

Shout the news of God's salvation from sea to sea,

Take the news of God's glory to the all the peoples,

News of God's marvelous works to one and all!

For God is great, and worth a thousand Hallelujahs.

Bring gifts and celebrate, bow before the beauty of God,

Get out the message—God Rules!

God put the world on a firm foundation;

God treats everyone fair and square.

Let's hear it from Sky, with Earth joining in,

And a huge round of applause from Sea.

Let Wilderness turn cartwheels; Animals, come dance,

Put every tree of the forest in the choir—an extravaganza before God as God comes,

As God comes to set everything right on earth,

Set everything right, treat everyone fair.

Anthem

Sing to the Lord a New Song

Youth Singers

Franz Joseph Haydn, arr. Hal H. Hopson

Sing to the Lord, sing a new song. All the earth, in joyful chorus, sing a new song.

Lift up your voice, let all rejoice, with harp and trumpet,

Sing forth in joyful praise. Let hills rejoice, let rivers clap their hands;

Let fields with gladness ring, unite in joyful praise.

--Psalm 96 paraphrased by Hopson

+Passing of the Peace

Carolyn Vandagriff

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

+Hymn

Dream On, Dream On

DREAM ON

(See p. 16 of Supplementary Worship Booklet)

Prayer of the People

Matt Vandagriff

Anthem

The Lord Be Near Us

Sanctuary Choir

Hal H. Hopson

The Lord be near us as we pray and help us, through the darkest day,
to find our spirits' strength and stay in God's most holy Name.
To God be heartfelt homage paid, and sacrifice of prayer be made;
In God we trust, and undismayed God's promised presence claim.
May God our dearest hopes fulfill, and move our hearts to seek God's will,
Rejoicing in God's triumph still and God's prevailing Name;
Who hears and answers all our prayers, who knows the weight of human cares,
And in God's Son our nature shares, forevermore the same.
Let others trust in wealth and pow'r to save them in the evil hour,
We find our refuge and our tow'r in God's eternal Name;
In God we stand, secure, to Christ belong, with saints in ceaseless song
God's faithfulness proclaim. Amen.

Psalm Reading Psalm 4 Kim Willis

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Matt Vandagriff

Sydney Carter; arr. Jason W. Krug

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.

At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced on the Sabbath when I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame; they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and they left me there on a cross to die.

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back; they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high, I am the life that will never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

+Hymn Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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(See p. 18 of Supplementary Worship Booklet)

Choral Blessing Ascription of Praise Sanctuary Choir

David Schwoebel

Now to him who's able to keep you from falling, and to present you without blemish before the presence of the glory. With rejoiceing, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Be the glory, majesty, dominion, and the authority, before all time. Now and forever. Amen.

Benediction Matt Vandagriff

Postlude Crown Him with Many Crowns Julia Matthews

arr. John A. Behnke

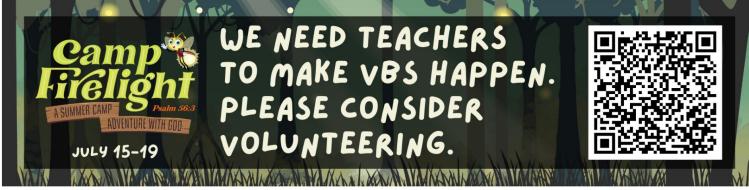
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