

April 8, 2018

Worship 9:30am

Sunday School 10:50am

“When I think about resurrection, I don’t only think about what happened to Jesus. I think about what happened to his disciples. Something happened to them, too. They went into hiding after the crucifixion but after the resurrection appearances, they walked back out into the world. They became braver and stronger; they visited strangers, and healed the sick...it was not only what they saw when they saw Jesus, or how they saw it, but what was set free in them.

If there is some kind of life after death, what if it’s not a life exclusively for the dead? What if it’s a life available to us all—something the living can participate in, too?

We spend so much time in the church “believing” in the resurrection or “not believing” that we may lose the point. What if the resurrection is not about the appearances of Jesus alone but also about what those appearances pointed to, what they asked? And it is finally what we do with them that matters.” -Nora Gallagher, Practicing Resurrection

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Renee Reimer, Jacob Kaufman, Andrew Moore

*HYMN #278

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

CHILDREN’S TIME

David Stewart

SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31

Congregation please join in Hymn #25 when indicated

SERMON

Resurrection practitioners

ANTHEM

Walk in the Light

Thomas

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

MENTOR BLESSING

Cong: We are thankful for these young people, their parents, and their mentors. It is our prayer that our church can continue to be a place for our youth to grow. We as a church promise to support and pray for these mentoring relationships. May God bless each of you as you continue to grow together.

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you did not have time to submit a written announcement, or if something new needs highlighting, please hand your written announcement to the worship leader or pastor before the worship service.



Children in K-5grades are dismissed for WorshipArts (Room 114), a time for children to respond to worship, ask questions, and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship.

6th-12th grade women are dismissed for women's ensemble rehearsal in Ruth's office.

SENDING FORTH PRAYER, HYMN AND POSTLUDE

We ask that after the hymn the congregation remain standing for the postlude as opportunity for further reflection and contemplation.

*HYMN #546

Guide my feet

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand in body or in spirit.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Songs designated “SS” are in the purple *Sing the Story* hymnal.

As we sing, please use language that makes worship most meaningful, enriching and inclusive.

Now Here God

Here is a place for worship reflections. What are you sensing about God in the here and now?
What words, images or questions do you want to take with you into this new week?

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