

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Third Sunday of Easter, April 26, 2020 Fayetteville First UMC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin

Senior Minister

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

SPECIAL MUSIC

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Mighael Thomas, calls

Chisholm, Runyan, arr. Ijames, Massengale

Michael Thomas, cello

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Martin and People

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen, indeed!

*HYMN 307 Christ Is Risen w zlobie lezy

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair. Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare. Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend; Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal UMH 881

*Gloria Patri

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.

*Passing of the Peace

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love: "The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Martin

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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Did You Think to Pray Luanne Harms, soloist

Mary Kidder, William Perkins

Ere you left your room this morning, did you think to pray?
In the name of Christ, our Savior, did you sue for loving favor as a shield today?
When your heart was filled with anger, did you think to pray?
Did you plead for grace, my brother,
That you might forgive another who had crossed your way?
Oh, how praying rests the weary! Prayer will change the night to day.
So, when life gets dark and dreary, don't forget to pray.

When sore trials came upon you, did you think to pray?
When your soul was full of sorrow, balm of Gilead did you borrow at the gates of day?
Oh, how praying rests the weary! Prayer will change the night to day.
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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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

*Scripture Lesson Luke 24:13-35 Dr. Martin

¹³Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood

still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?" ¹⁹He 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, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ 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. ²⁴Some 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." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They 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?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Presence of the Broken Dr. Martin

*Hymn 521

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

SOJOURNER

I want Jesus to walk with me.
I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm troubled, Lord walk with me. When I'm troubled, Lord walk with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

*BENEDICTION Dr. Martin

May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Billy Arnold	Annelle Burch	Howard Dunham	Lurlene Perry
Van Askew	Quentin Cash	Margaret Grainger	Martha Segars
Carolyn Broady	Richard Clayton	Martha Hale	Mabel Wilbanks
Ken Broady	Suzan Cole	Doris Kerlin	Brad Wilkinson

In Memoriam Mike Fowler April 19, 2020

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Robin, Lauren and Kaleigh Fowler and Faye Smith upon the death of Robin's husband, Lauren and Kaleigh's father, and Faye's son-in-law, Mike Fowler, on April 19.



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