

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church

3rd SUNDAY IN EASTER | 11:00 AM | APRIL 14, 2024

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Trumpet Tune
John Stanley

Yvonne Toll
Trumpet

INTROIT

All That Hath Life and Breath
René Clausen

Chancel Choir
Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

*All that hath life and breath, praise ye the Lord,
shout to the Lord, Alleluia! Praise Him, laud Him, Alleluia!*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Drew West
Assistant Minister of Families & Children

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 303

The Day of Resurrection

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*A Statement of Faith
from the Korean Methodist Church*

Rev. West and People

We believe in the one God,
creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
God manifest in the flesh,
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.
We believe in the forgiveness of sins,
in the life of love and prayer,
and in grace equal to every need.
We believe in the Word of God
contained in the Old and New Testaments
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.
We believe in the church,
those who are united in the living Lord
for the purpose of worship and service.
We believe in the reign of God
as the divine will realized in human society,
and in the family of God,
where we are all brothers and sisters.
We believe in the final triumph of righteousness
and in the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

MEINEKE

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. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. West

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

MINISTRY MOMENT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. West

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST READING

1 John 3:1-7 (CEB)

Rev. West

See what kind of love the Father has given to us in that we should be called God's children, and that is what we are! Because the world didn't recognize him, it doesn't recognize us.

²Dear friends, now we are God's children, and it hasn't yet appeared what we will be. We know that when he appears we will be like him because we'll see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves even as he is pure. ⁴Every person who practices sin commits an act of rebellion, and sin is rebellion. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and there is no sin in him. ⁶Every person who remains in relationship to him does not sin. Any person who sins has not seen him or known him.

⁷Little children, make sure no one deceives you. The person who practices righteousness is righteous, in the same way that Jesus is righteous.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Trumpet Shall Sound from **Messiah**
George Frideric Handel

Michael O'Hearn, Bass
Yvonne Toll, Trumpet

The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
1 Corinthians 15:52

*CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence and People

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. West

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.
Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.
The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

OFFERTORY

The Peace of God
John Rutter

Chancel Choir

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost
be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen
- The Book of Common Prayer (1662)

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100th

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:36b-48

Rev. Lawrence

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Lawrence

*HYMN 310

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*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Rev. Lawrence and People

How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!
We are called to be Easter people!

Darkness cannot claim us!
Fear cannot bind us!
Christ is risen!
Christ is risen, indeed! AMEN!

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

Amen
John Rutter

Chancel Choir

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Lawrence

***POSTLUDE**

Toccata on Christ the Lord is Risen Today
Diane Bish

Mr. Bowden

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Karen Davis

Robbie Gray
Martha Hale
Tangie Hubbard
Cindy Jennings

Doris Kerlin
Jerry Light
Bettina McDowell
Ron McDowell

Ingrid Shields
Brenda Tierman
Helen Voyles
Paul Wiley

**The flowers in the sanctuary are presented to the glory of God
and in memory of her husband, Jimmy Tucker, by Jan Tucker.**

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Wednesdays through Saturdays 7 PM

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