



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fayetteville First UMC

Second Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022

11:00 AM

### GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence  
Associate Minister

### MUSIC OF PREPARATION

*In the Garden*  
arr. Mark Hayes

Mr. Justin Maxey  
Director of Music & Organist

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 118:24-29*

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

**You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.**

**O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.**

### \*HYMN 322

*Up from the Grave He Arose*

CHRIST AROSE

### \*INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin  
Senior Minister

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed*

Dr. Martin and **People**

**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*

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**\*ALLELUIA, PRAISE YE THE LORD**

Allelu-, allelu-, allelu-, alleluia!  
Allelu-, allelu-, allelu-, alleluia!

*Praise ye the Lord!*  
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*Praise ye the Lord!*

Alleluia!  
Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

**Praise ye the Lord!**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin and **People**

*Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:*

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

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

**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**

*Revelation 1:4-8*

Rev. Lawrence

*<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Rev. Lawrence

**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.**

**\*HYMN 314**

*In the Garden*

GARDEN

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Dr. Martin

**OFFERTORY**

*All Hail the Power*  
Mary McDonald

Chancel Choir

*Crown Him the Lord, the Lord, Lord of all!  
All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;*

*Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord, Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.*

*Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.*

*O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him, crown Him the Lord of all!  
And crown Him Lord, Lord of all!*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

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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

*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.*

**\*GOSPEL READING**

*John 20:19-31*

Rev. Lawrence

*<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."*

*<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*Next Steps*

Dr. Martin

**\*HYMN 310**

*He Lives*

ACKLEY

**\*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.*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Intrada on Two Hymn Tunes:  
Thine Be the Glory and Lord of Life and King of Glory  
arr. Alice Jordan*

Mr. Maxey

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

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**Please remember in your prayers:**

Van Askew  
Annelle Burch  
Nancy Byers  
Richard Clayton  
Anne Free

Margaret Grainger  
Martha Hale  
Don Harp  
Chenelle Hernandez  
Rose Hood

Tangie Hubbard  
Cindy Jennings  
Sara Johnston  
Doris Kerlin  
Claudia Rhodes

Sue Sheddan  
Brenda Tierman  
Helen Voyles  
Mabel Wilbanks  
Brad Wilkinson

In Memoriam  
Margaret Panter  
April 17, 2022

**Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with**

Russell Hamner and family upon the death of his mother, Margaret Panter, on April 17.

**The flowers in the sanctuary are presented to the glory of God**

and in celebration of Lynne Garrett's birthday by Bob Garrett.



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