



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Fayetteville First UMC
Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 8, 2022
11:00 AM

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
arr. Mark Hayes

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 23 KJV

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

***HYMN 139**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

***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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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**

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

Acts 9:36-43

Rev. Lawrence

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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 474**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Martin

OFFERTORY

I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked
Geoffrey O’Hara

Chancel Choir

*I walked today where Jesus walked, In days of long ago.
I wandered down each path He knew, With reverent step and slow.
Those little lanes, they have not changed, A sweet peace fills the air.
I walked today where Jesus walked, And felt His presence there.*

*My pathway led through Bethlehem, Ah, memory's ever sweet.
The little hills of Galilee, That knew those childish feet;
The Mount of Olives: hallowed scenes, That Jesus knew before;
I saw the mighty Jordan roll, As in the days of yore.*

*I knelt today where Jesus knelt, Where all alone he prayed.
The Garden of Gethsemane, My heart felt unafraid!
I picked my heavy burden up, And with Him at my side,
I climbed the Hill of Calvary, I climbed the Hill of Calvary,
I climbed the Hill of Calvary, Where on the Cross He died!*

I walked today where Jesus walked, And felt Him close to me.

***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.

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 10:22-30

Rev. Lawrence

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

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SERMON

We That Love the Lord

Dr. Martin

***HYMN 733**

Marching to Zion

MARCHING TO ZION

***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:

Van Askew	Martha Hale	Cindy Jennings	Brenda Tierman
Nancy Byers	Don Harp	Sara Johnston	Helen Voyles
Richard Clayton	Chenelle Hernandez	Doris Kerlin	Mabel Wilbanks
Anne Free	Rose Hood	Claudia Rhodes	
Margaret Grainger	Tangie Hubbard	Sue Sheddan	

The rosebuds on the sanctuary altar are in celebration of the births of

Lilly Christina Bailey to Lacey Prine and Graham Bailey on April 22. Grandparents are James and Florence Prine.
Sylvie Serafina Gray to Kyle and Naudia Gray on April 24. Grandparents are Robbie and Dottie Gray.



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