

# **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

May 8, 2022 Worship & New Members @ 10:30 am

> Liturgist: Greg Hardy Special Music: The Chancel Choir

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

Music as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

**Chimes:** Hymns

**Prelude** "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" Johann Walther

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Nursery care is available for infants through age 5 in Room 116.

Kids are an important part of our church family!

Each Sunday, the children are welcome to use our Prayground space during worship; parents and grandparents may sit close by. Kids and families who would prefer to sit together in the pews may pick-up worship materials to use during this time from the worship bag cart or the Prayground space.

# \*Call to Worship

One: When I think of God's presence in the world, I am grateful:

All: Grateful for the presence of hope; grateful for the gift of life.

One: And when I think of God's presence in my life, I am humbled:

All: Humbled by the gift of grace; humbled by the invitation to begin again.

One: And when I think of God's presence in this community, I am glad:

All: Glad to be surrounded by holy people worshiping our Holy God.

One: Thank you all; thank you God.

All: Let us worship God together.

**Hymn** Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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Glory to God Hymnal #645, vs. 1, 2, & 3

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled: to God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power has made God's gracious mercy keepeth; by morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of God's might, lo! all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing, as with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band: to God all praise and glory!

### **Opening Prayer**

### **New Testament Lesson** Romans 12:9-21

<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup> No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**Music Meditation** "How Can I keep From Singing?" arr. Timothy Shaw

Children's Moment

#### **New Testament Lesson** Luke 15:1-10

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

8 "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9 When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation

# Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

# "Pray for One Another" Please pray this week for these members and families:

Ted & Jennifer Hansen, Benjamin, Sarah; Rod & Susan Hardee; Spencer & Nina Hardee; Greg & Sandy Hardy, Nick; John & Susan Harper, Wes, Georgia; Jim & Jo Hasler; Stephen & Mandi Hasler; Ann Herring, Paden; Bobbie Heslep; Doug & Allison Holloway, Megan, Emma.

# **Reception of New Members**

### **Offering**

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\*Closing Hymn Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

Glory to God Hymnal #39

\*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

#### **Refrain:**

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **Refrain** 

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Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! **Refrain** Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

#### Benediction

### Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **Organ Response** "I Will Arise and Go To Jesus"

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