

Order of Worship

The Lord's Day, Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020 - Communion Sunday

Senior Pastor: Dr. Jason Thrower | **Associate Pastor:** Stephan Margeson | **Pianist:** David Ethridge

On-Site Equipment Operations: Dale Moates & Nash Carrington (**Guitarist**)

Broadcast & Technical Operations: Jim Boynton | **Soundboard Operator:** Nick Cummings

Hymn Leader: Rhonda Kale

Welcome and Word from Pastor

Mission Statement: To be an obedient community of faith, believing, praising, and loving God as revealed in Jesus Christ, as we respect, encourage, and serve our neighbors.

Hymn of Praise

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

No. 103

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible, hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small
In all life thou livest, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish but naught changing thee**

**Thou reignest in glory, thou dwellest in light
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight
All laud we would render, O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee**

The United Methodist Hymnal | Words: Walter Chalmers smith, 1867 (1 Tim. 1:17) | Music: Welsh melody from John Roberts's *Canaidau y Cyssegr*, 1839

Song of Praise

"Way Maker"

Nash Carrington

**You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place**

I worship You I worship You

**(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are**

**You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You**

**You are here turning lives around
I worship You I worship You
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord**

**That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are**

**Even when I don't see it You're working
Even when I don't feel it You're working
You never stop You never stop working
You never stop You never stop working**

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Affirmation

The Apostle's Creed

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.

Response

“Glory Be to the Father”

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

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Hymn of Preparation

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

No. 127

**Guide me , O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak, but thou art mighty, hold me with thy powerful hand
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more
Feed me till I want no more**

**Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield
Be thou still my strength and shield**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside
Death of death and hell’s destruction, land me safe on Canaan’s side
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee
I will ever give to thee**

The United Methodist Hymnal | Words: William Williams, 1745, trans. From the Welsh by Peter Williams and the author, 1771 |
Music: John Hughes, 1907

Offertory

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Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem

Rhonda Kale

Scripture

Exodus 14:1-2

1 Then the Lord said to Moses: 2 Tell the Israelites to turn back and camp in front of Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, in front of Baal-zephon; you shall camp opposite it, by the sea.

Message

“Step by Faith”

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made a covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

Holy Communion

Benediction

