The 2nd Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024 11:00 am

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Prelude #262 "He Lives" Dr. Renee Huff

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jeff Binder

INTROIT #250 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

WORDS OF PRAISE Psalm 147 selected verses Mary Meade Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

The Lord covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

God gives to the animals their food,

And to the young ravens when they cry.

The Lord's delight is not in the strength of the horse,

Nor is God's pleasure in the speed of a runner;

But the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,

In those who hope in God's steadfast love.

*Opening Hymn #236 "The Strife is O'er"

*OPENING PRAYER

Mary Meade

Brightness of God's glory and exact image of God's person, whom death could not conquer nor the tomb imprison, as you have shared our frailty in human flesh, help us to share your immortality in the Spirit. Let no shadow of the grave terrify us, and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you. Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days, as the first and the last, the Living One, our immortal Savior and Lord.

*Assurance of God's Grace

Mary Meade

Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: through the death and resurrection of our savior, God has made a way to reveal his presence and heal the brokenness of this world. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Alleluia!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Mary Meade

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.)

*Response of Praise #582 "Glory to God"

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

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This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Risen Jesus"

Rev. Jeff Binder

*Hymn of Response #525 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

CALL TO OFFERING

Rev. Jeff Binder

OFFERTORY

"Hold Thou My Hand"

by C.S. Briggs

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*Doxology #606

Old Hundredth

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy" **Hymnal #559** Lord's Prayer *Hymnal pg.* 35

Words of Institution

Sharing in the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

^{*}Prayer of Gratitude

^{*}CLOSING HYMN #268 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Blessing & Sending Iona Abbey Worship Book Rev. Jeff Binder

May the everlasting God shield you, east and west and wherever you go.

And the blessing of God be upon you.

The blessing of the God of life.

The blessing of Christ be upon you,

The blessing of the Christ of love.

The blessing of the Spirit be upon you,

The blessing of the Spirit of grace.

The blessing of the Trinity be upon you, now and for evermore.

Alleluia! Amen.

*Postlude #265

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Dr. Renee Huff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOME GOODS COMMUNITY PANTRY – DONATIONS NEEDED Our

Home Goods Community Pantry will be open on Wednesday, April 17. Financial and product donations are always welcomed.

Our pantry is undoubtedly fulfilling a need in our community, and demand is high. Due to this demand, donations are needed more than ever.

If you wish to donate items, there is a donation basket outside of the sanctuary for your convenience. Items needed are listed in the April newsletter. Thanks for your generosity!

<u>BIBLE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY!</u> Please come to our weekly Bible discussion class on Tuesday, April 9 at 10:00am in the library. Pastor Jeff will lead with the Book of Matthew.

<u>THERE WILL BE A SESSION MEETING</u> Tuesday, April 9 at 5:15 in the library.

THE MBU CHOIR will perform a concert in our sanctuary on Wednesday, April 10 at 7pm in our sanctuary. We hope you can join us!

Prayer List

Please send out prayers for: Judy; Bret Ritchie; Mona Tate: Sherry Cox's sister Tommie Sue Schindler; John Rachfal (Sr); Anne (friend of Scott & Sharon Wilson); Paul Goble; Jim Cooke; Charlie Obaugh; Sherry von Oeyen; Justin Tate

Please contact Heidi in the church office or Pastor Jeff to have names added or removed from the prayer list.

Names will be removed after 6 weeks unless otherwise requested.

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