

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

Our Approach to God

Prelude *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Janet Lanier
Permission granted to live-stream by Janet Lanier
Ruth Estell - harp

The Call to Worship

Lift your hearts, raise your voices, and join the heavenly host who forever sing:
Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.

*The Hymn of Praise *Crown Him with Many Crowns* 151
Congregation sings verses 1, 2, &4

*The Call to Confession Psalm 23: 4
Even if we walk in the darkest of valleys, we have nothing to fear, for God is with us. Let us stand before the throne of the Lamb with confidence, trusting in God's desire to redeem and restore us.

*The Prayer of Confession Psalm 23:5-6
Eternal God, in the presence of our enemies, we divide and demonize. When you face our enemies, you choose neither contempt nor punishment, but set a table and make provision for us all. Our ways are not your ways, O Creator, and they are an affront to the work of your hands. Have mercy on us, O God, and heal us. Send our risen Lord among us again to repair relationships and restore humanity. Set us free to share the love of Christ Jesus just as he does at his table.
Hear us O Lord, as we approach you from the silence of our hearts with our individual intentions (Silence).
Lord, forgive us we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon
Hear the sound of your Shepherd's voice: Jesus says, I give you eternal life. You will never perish. Believe the good news.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, nurtured, and safe. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri 577
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Special Music *Amazing Grace* arr. Rhett Barnwell
Seraphim Music granted permission to live-stream.
Ruth Estell - harp

The Word of God

The Time with the Children
The Gospel Reading John 10:22-30 page 139 NT
The New Testament Reading Acts 9:36-43 page 172 NT
The Sermon "The Caring Women" Pastor Philomena

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith (From A Brief Statement of Faith)
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen!

*The Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* 464
Congregation sings all verses

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. Carol Tornquist

*The Doxology

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.

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Charge and Benediction

*Postlude *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* arr. Carol Tornquist

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Liturgist: Kitty Myers

Greeter: JoAnn and Jerry Hunt

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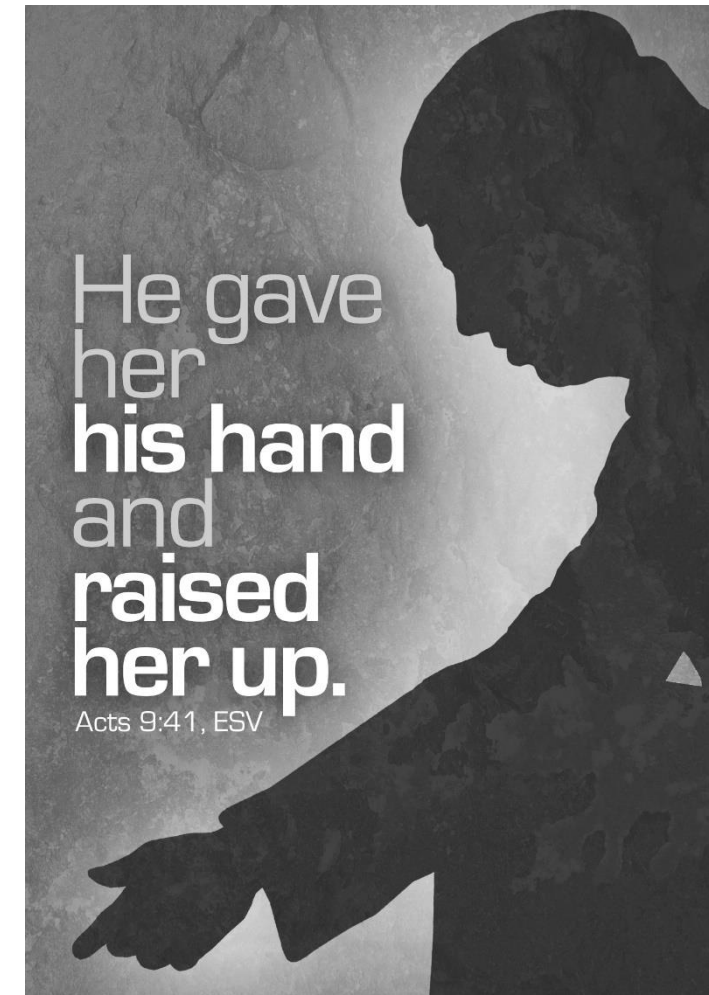
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Announcements and Upcoming Events



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