

Second Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER..... Pastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor and Congregation

Pastor: We need your presence on the long road, Lord.

People: The road between fear and hope, the road between the place where all is lost and the place of resurrection.

Pastor: Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus, we are in need of your company!

All: Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power, as we seek to worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP ... "The Risen Christ" Choir

GOSPEL LESSON ... *Luke 24:13-27* Molly Abbott

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem,¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them,¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad.¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?"¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."²⁵ Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

HYMN ... "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" ... *vs. 1, 2 and 4* 215

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Brandi Powers

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who raised from death our Lord Jesus, we confess that we are unworthy of Your love and redeeming grace. We have failed to discern Your presence among us, our hearts

have not burned within us as we have heard Your Word, and the joy of our salvation is too often overshadowed by the cares of this world. In your mercy, forgive us and free us for greater service through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN ... "Day of Arising"203

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

GOSPEL LESSON ... *Luke 24:28-35* Reggie Jackson

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them.³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

ANTHEM... "In This Very Room" Choir

SERMON ... *We Had Hoped* Pastor

CLOSING HYMN... "Open My Eyes That I May See" ... *vs. 1 and 3*395

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY

4:00 p.m. Youth/Parent Meeting for Passport and Basketball camps

4:30 p.m. Children's Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. **COVERED DISH**

6:30 p.m. Bible Study and Children's and Youth Programs

USHERS

TODAY Dwight Saunders' Team

NEXT SUNDAY Eugene Crisco's Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY..... Shannon Robinson
NEXT SUNDAY Chris and Barbie Blake

NURSERY

TODAY..... Jean Maness
NEXT SUNDAY Linda McNeill

PRAYER LIST

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Rodney Loflin, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Gary McCaskill, Sarah Jo Wall,			Paul/Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson	brother
				Meryl Johnson	sister-in-law
			Mary James	Mildred Hunsucker	friend
				Benny McBride	friend
				Bob Moore	nephew
				Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner, Florence Cagle			Butch/Nancy Jenkins	John Moore	Nancy's father
			Candy Loflin	Cristie Thomas	friend
				Beth Holt	friend
				Misty Morgan	friend.
Friends and Relatives of:			Max/Jane Luquire	Iris Luquire	sister-in-law
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Henrietta Garner	friend		Jo Brooks	friend
	Monnie Jenkins	friend	Barbara Lynthacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew
	Juanita King	friend		Melissa Green	daughter
	Tony Lawson	friend	Jean Maness	Helen Mabe	aunt
	Toni Atcheson	sister		Carol Luther	friend
	Cassie Jenkins	granddaughter	Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
	Martha Garner	sister	Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
	Tammy Laprade	sister	Jeff Robinson	June Spears	friend
	Audrey Grace Bryan	friend	Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
Jane Covington	Faye	sister	Barbara Smith	Laura Wilson	friend
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law		Doris Hinson	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Service Personnel:		
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian		
Garrett Gooch	Mary Chunn	grandmother	Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart		
Ray, Frances Hudson		daughter			

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