

April 7, 2024, at 11 am

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April 7, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter

Traditional

We are called by Jesus Christ to worship, make disciples, and serve.

Welcome

Rev. Carol L. Pazdersky

Centering our Hearts on God

“This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.” (1 John 1:5)

Prelude

Gary Lushbaugh – Music Director

*Call to Worship

Ed Mathus

This is the good news which we proclaim to you.

Jesus Christ is raised from the dead!

Walk in the light of his love.

Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies.

Come, let us worship the One Who overcame death.

Let us celebrate the triumph of our Lord!

*Easter Carol

“Lord of the Dance”

UMH 261

Opening Prayer

God of resurrection surprises, we gather this day as your children.

We are a family of faith.

Today we once again share the joyous news:

Christ is risen! Life triumphs over death! Love is victorious over sin!

You gave us new life in the name of your Son.

Let us testify to your power and grace with our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming. We pray in the name of the risen Christ.

Amen.

Chancel Choir

Invitation to the Word

Lord with the power of your Word

Transform us into a true community of believers.

Prepare us to go into the world

To testify that Christ is alive and active in our lives today. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

*Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Message

*Easter Carol

“Christ is Risen”

UMH 307

New Testament Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Offering our Best to God

Offertory

*Doxology with Alleluias

UMH 94

*Prayer of Dedication

Generous and surprising God: **when we thought that death had claimed your only Son, you amazed us with the resurrection. Surprise us again with your ability to turn these humble offerings into gifts that will transform the world through our witness to your love. We lay out all that we are and all that we have at your feet, O God, knowing that you will use us to proclaim and embody the gospel. Amen.**

Sharing our Lives

Communion

UMH 15

*Easter Carol

“Thine Be the Glory”

UMH 308

*Blessing

Go now with the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Go to share your faith and your lives.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Go to proclaim the good news of Easter.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Postlude

Also serving the community in worship:

Ushers-Greeters – Joyce Kraft, Ed & Gail Mathus

Acolytes – Leah Klemm & Maggie Taylor

Communion – Mary Smith & Cheryl Stephens

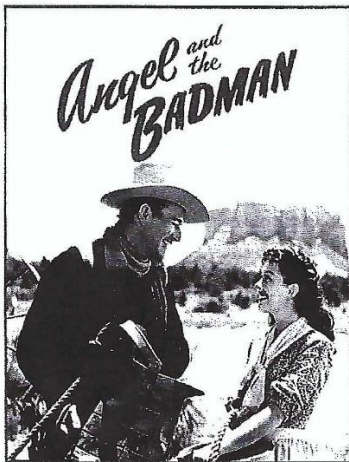
Tech Support – Jacob Smith (XP), Winston Bain & Hannah Warren (11:00), Cheryl Kempler (ZOOM)

Counting Team – Cheryl Kempler, Joyce Kraft, Anita Obinger

Sunday School Superintendents – Michele Taylor & Cheryl Welsh

Adult Studies Facilitator – Sue Garrison

Window Candles for the month of April
are dedicated in celebration of
Susan & Earl Smith's 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Camp Chapel Film Seminar
Angel and the Badman

John Wayne and Gail Russell

A wounded outlaw is taken in by a peace-loving Quaker family

Saturday, April 20, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Via Zoom

Check the flyer on our web site for details:
<https://campchapel.org/event/film-seminar-movie-tba-7/>

Or scan the QR code ►



Join us for a classic movie and discussion! Zoom information will be sent via email.

Camp Chapel Community Yard Sale
Saturday June 1, 8 am to 1 pm (Rain Date June 8)

Registrations are available online only. The cost is \$22 per space. For detailed information and registration, click the link below:

<https://campchapel.org/event/june-1st-yard-sale/>

Or scan the QR code ►



Complete the registration form, agree to the Vendor Lease Agreement, and submit your payment. You will receive an email confirmation. Spaces will be assigned, and you will be notified. You may request a specific space, but it is NOT guaranteed. For questions contact Barbara Thompson at barbara7916@msn.com