

April 21, 2024



WE SHARE A VISION TO BE A LOVING COMMUNITY OF HOPE AND HEALING WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME TO GATHER, GROW AND GO AS WHOLE-HEARTED DISCIPLES OF JESUS!

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer Requests

Prelude “More Precious Than Silver” (L. DeShazo)

Call to Worship

Call: As we read the words of scripture, we are pointed to Your living Word who walked among us;

All: and we are surrounded by Your Spirit, who whispers words within our hearts and minds.

Call: Inspire us in our hearing and reflecting, that we may move beyond Your words

All: into life-changing acts of grace, love, hope, and peace.

Hymn #192 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Call to Reconciliation

The joy of this Easter season continues as we are called to Word and worship. Let us pause to confess our sins to our Good Shepherd.

Prayer of Confession

Savior God, You guide us, but we are slow to follow and stubborn. You welcome us to Your fold, but we make others feel as if they don't belong. Forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment; the way we evaluate and compare, demean and degrade. Redeem us. Restore us. Help us be faithful as Your flock. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Christ forgives. Christ transforms. Christ renews. Christ leads us down the path of new beginnings. We are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Hymn #582 “Glory To God Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Anthem “Do Not Be Afraid” (B. Dufford)

Scripture Reading John 3:1-18 NLT

The Good News “We Are More Than Penlight People”

Hymn #79 “Light Dawns On a Weary World”

Prayers of the People

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #810 “When in the Night I Meditate”

Benediction Words and Music by Jars of Clay

Go into the world, showing how much God loves you.

Walk in the world, in merciful ways, God loves you.

Emmanuel on earth.

Yours is the body, the hands and the feet,

and Yours are the eyes that look compassionately,

to bless you and me, bless you and me,

God will bless you and me.

Postlude “Wellspring” (M. Scott)



Today's Worship Leaders

Minister

All Gathered! 1 Peter 2:5
Rev. Rich Gelson, Pastor

Worship Music Leaders

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