



Welcome to Worship

April 14, 2024

9:00 and 11:10 in the Sanctuary

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.

SILENT MEDITATION

We do not draw people to Christ by loudly discrediting what they believe, by telling them how wrong they are and how right we are, but by showing them a light that is so lovely that they want with all their hearts to know the source of it.

Madeleine L'Engle, Walking On Water, Reflections of Faith and Art

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord hears us when we call:

Come, let us put our trust in God.

The Lord fills our hearts with gladness:

Come, let us sing God's praises with shouts of joy!

The Lord grants peace to our weary souls:

Come, let us rest by the quiet waters of God's grace. Let us worship God!

PRAISE AND ADORATION

***HYMN #239**

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

(*Please stand, if you are able)

CONFESSION AND PARDON

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts. But you are not troubled by them. You do not require perfect understanding. Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again that we might come to know you. Forgive us when our doubts keep us stuck, when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do. Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us. Have mercy on us when we hoard or hide it, when we fail to offer it to others. Renew us and make us whole that in this world of strife we may be bearers of your peace. In resurrection hope we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

KYRIE ELEISON (#551)

"Lord, Have Mercy"

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON***GLORIA PATRI (#240)**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks!

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

Je-sus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of cre - a - tion. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -

lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, Give praise to his name.

WELCOME*During the welcome, children are invited to come forward for a time with Dr. Zieman***TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES*****HYMN #250**

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

ANNOUNCEMENTS**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Psalm 40: 1-5

page 446 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!***FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER****JOYS AND CONCERNS****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****The Lord's Prayer**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24: 36-48

page 861 of the pew Bible

SERMON

"The Risen Christ is in Our Midst"
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Dr. Zieman

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

PROFESSING THE FAITH OF OUR CHURCH

In love you came to a stable in Bethlehem

to become one with us.

In love you walked the plains and hills of Galilee and Judea

to teach us how to live.

In love you were nailed on a cross on Calvary

to bear away our sin.

In love you rose from a tomb in Joseph's garden

to defeat death's power over us.

In love you ascended beyond the clouds

to be our reigning Lord.

You came to love us so that we need never feel unloved, deserted, alone, or condemned.

***SANCTUS (#572)**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

SANCTUS (Pavlechko)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na
in the high-est. — Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

arr. Matthew Compton

***DOXOLOGY (#609)**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!

alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Living Lord, we give you thanks for the bounty of your grace: you create us in your image, shower us with your love, forgive us when we turn away from you, and give us a future with hope. Bless these gifts we offer you today and make us good stewards of the resources you have entrusted to us. May our gifts bring joy and peace in our church and in our community. In Christ's holy name we pray, Amen.

***HYMN #295**

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Go Now In Peace"

Don Besig

Go now in peace. Ne - ver be a - fraid. God will go with you each hour of ev-'ry day. Go now in faith, stead-strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you be - lieve. Reach out to oth-ers so all the world can see. God will be there watch-ing from a - bove. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. — A - men. — A - men. — A - men. —

POSTLUDE

God of Grace

Paul Manz

SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Music Carillon Choir, Larry Frederickson, director; Mark Kanitz, organ

Childcare Ministry Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, Brandon Fisher

Ushers 9:00 Jim Miller, Captain; Linda Miller, Gary Marron, Marsha Marron, John Sparks
11:10 Tim Goodman, Captain; Kris Goodman, Judy Sundberg, Carl Greiner, Bob Ott

Greeters 9:00 North Door: Barb Haar Rightmyer Welcome Center Door: Doug Larson
11:10 North Door: Jan Steffa Welcome Center Door: John and Pam Swenson

Information Center 9:00 Mary Ann Pederson and Gena Marks 11:10 Sue Jenkins

Coffee Host Betsy Conway



Announcements

For the week of April 14, 2024

The Week at a Glance

Sunday, April 14

- 9:00 Worship
- 10:00 Coffee Fellowship
Children & Youth SS Classes
- 10:00 Agape Spring Speaker Series
- 11:10 Worship
- 11-2 Caring and Sharing at Don and Millie's
- 12:00 New Member Discussion
- 2:30-6:30 SHF Papio Fun Park
JHF Tree Rush at Fontelle Forest
- 4:15 Serve at Siena Francis House

Monday, April 15

- 9 & 11 Music and Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 5:30 Finance Committee
- 6:30 Christian Education Committee
- 6:30 Deacons Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 16

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 1:00 Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 2:00 Active Minds

Wednesday, April 17

- 5:15 PCOC Book Group
- 5:30 Chamber Singers
- 6:30 Alleluia Singers

Thursday, April 18

- 9 & 11 Music and Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 6:00 Carillion Choir

Friday, April 19

- 6:00 Session Retreat

Saturday, April 20

- 9-12 Session Retreat

Sunday, April 21 – Pantry Sunday

- 9:00 Worship with Communion
- 10:00 Coffee Fellowship, Children and Youth SS
- 10:00 Agape Spring Speaker Series
- 11:10 Worship with Communion
- 12:30 APNC Committee
- 4:45 Youth Bible Study with Marshall

Joys & Concerns. The rosebud in the chancel today is to celebrate with Charles and Ruth Madison, who are now the proud great-grandparents of Ryton James Miller, born Sunday, April 7, 2024 to parents Katlyn and Matt Miller of Maryville, Missouri.

You Belong at PCOC – Join Us Today! For anyone interested in joining the church, a New Member Discussion follows today's 11:10 service. Join us in the Welcome Center. A light lunch is provided. Walk-ins are welcome!

Spring Clean-up THANK YOU – B&G would like to say thanks to the 22 volunteers who helped spruce up our landscaped areas and grounds for the growing season last Saturday. In addition, we also cleaned out and organized our shed. Fellowship and snacks were enjoyed by all. If you would like to help care for a garden area this summer, please contact Lowell Wilhite.

Adult Sunday School continues today - Connecting with the Tri-Faith Initiative, with Jeremy Fricke, Vice President of Mission Advancement for Tri-Faith. Jeremy's presentation is entitled "Religious and Racial Justice - Where We Were, Where We Are Going." Jeremy is an advisor, scholar, and thought leader on a variety of topics. A passionate advocate of the practical and theoretical applications of religious studies, he has taught various courses on modern religion, the Bible, and the Holocaust in academic settings as well as workshops and training on inclusion in the workplace and schools. Next week's topic is: Connecting with the Empowerment Network, with Willie Barney - Founder and President of the North Omaha Empowerment Network

Lunch at Don & Millie's Today. From 11-2 today at the West Center & 108th Street location. 20% of every dollar spent on food and drink will go toward our Junior High Mission Trip next summer. Be sure to mention PCOC when your order is placed.

PCOC Book Group on April 17. We are meeting in Room 13 from 5:15-6:30 p.m. to review *THE ALCHEMIST* by Paulo Coelho. All readers are welcome! Questions? Contact Charlotte Hubbard.

Active Minds will be playing Spades for the month of April. On Tuesdays, join us in the Lower-Level Great Room from 2-4 p.m. This is an easy game to learn, and we have patient teachers available to help. Coordinator: Earlene Uhrig

Celebrating Women Baskets Silent Auction. Do you have a special woman in your life that deserves to be pampered? Not sure what to get her? Well, look no further because SHF is assembling baskets just in time for Mother's Day. The silent auction begins April 14 and ends on May 5. Come by the Lobby and find the perfect gift for the woman in your life. You'll be notified right after late church on May 5 if you win. As always, SHF thanks you for your support!



PCOC GALs at the Luminarium on April 25. Join GALs for an evening at the Kiewit Luminarium on Thursday, April 25, at 6:00 pm. We will meet at the church and carpool to the science museum. Thursdays are adult only nights and the cost of entry is \$20, which you can pay online or at the door. In addition, the Fig Cafe is open on the premises that evening for food and beverages. You can reserve your spot by going to the PCOC Sign Up page on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Staci Voss.

49ERS on Tuesday, May 7. Our speaker will be Matthew Hansen, editor of the Flatwater Free Press, Nebraska's first statewide nonprofit news source. Hansen, a 16-year veteran of Nebraska newspapers, has previously worked as a reporter at the Lincoln Journal Star and then a reporter and metro columnist at the Omaha World-Herald. During his time in newspapers, he travelled to Cuba and Afghanistan and won multiple state, regional and national awards for investigative stories, feature stories and columns. We meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at WHEATFIELDS, 1224 South 103rd Street (One Pacific Place). We order from a special menu provided for our group. Everyone is welcome - whether you are 49, younger, or older - come join us! For reservations and/or questions, please contact Mary Ott or Judy Sundberg. Sign up in the white binder at the Information Desk.

Habitat for Humanity Build – May 18, 8 am to 3:00 pm. We need your help to make the dream of decent, affordable housing a reality for all our neighbors in Omaha! Presbyterian Church of the Cross will again be participating in a Habitat build day. Registration is available online here: <https://cerv.is/0119gBpaWmz>. Registration is limited to the first ten volunteers. Must be 16 years of age and no tools or previous construction experience is required. Please contact Matt Darling with questions on the registration process.

Pentecost Offering begins. As one of the four Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. 40% of the amount PCOC collects will remain with us to support ministries with children and youth in our church and local community. We will officially collect this special offering on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, but donations may begin now by making your check out to PCOC and indicating Pentecost Offering in the memo line.



PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

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