

CALL TO PRAYER

(9:00) "Come, Bring Your Burdens to God" -South African  
(11:15) "Come Away With Me" Sing the Faith #2202

Come away with me to a quiet place,  
apart from the world with its frantic pace,  
to pray, reflect, and seek God's grace.  
Come away with me, come away.

SILENT PRAYER

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.**

\*HYMNAL NO. 485 "To God Be the Glory"

\*BENEDICTION Candace Danneker

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

(9:00) "This We Shall Do" -John Bell

(11:15) "Song of Hope" Hymnal #432

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace, Singing, share our joy with all. Working for a world that's new, Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

\*THE PEACE Susan Reisinger

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

(please greet those sitting around you, especially taking time to welcome those who are visiting)

YOU ARE INVITED  
for coffee and fellowship  
in the Social Hall between the services

MAY 15, 2011

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 AND 11:15 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Prelude" -Nadia Boulanger

INTROIT

**This Day Was Made by the Lord**

*The refrain will be introduced on the piano, then by the cantor. Please join on the repeats.*

Psalms 118

Christopher Walker



This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice, let us be glad!



This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice in sal - va - tion.

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CALL TO WORSHIP (9:00) Jeanne Sallade  
(11:15) Amy Vashaw

\*HYMNAL No. 469 "Morning Has Broken"

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) (9:00) Carolyn Tothero  
(11:15) Beth Essinger Hileman

**Loving God, we confess that too often we see others serving you in ways that appear excessive and extravagant to us. We criticize, scold, and pass judgment upon others, as if we could limit the abundant ways that they express their love and service to you. Forgive us, we pray, for our short-sightedness and sin. Help us to recognize that there are a variety of ways for diverse peoples to express their faithfulness and love to you. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (9:00) Sarah Tothero  
(11:15) Fiona Vashaw

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 1:26-31

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ANTHEM (9:00) "Easter Song" -Annie Herring  
Chancel Choir  
(11:15) "Blessings" -Laura Story  
Abby Shipman, soloist

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 16:13-15 Page 963  
(9:00) Katie Blume (11:15) Lydia Malcom

\*GLORIA PATRI Page 579  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As  
it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without  
end. Amen.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)  
We believe in the living God, the parent of all humankind, who  
creates and sustains the universe in power and love. We believe  
in Jesus Christ, God incarnate on earth, who showed us by his  
words and work, suffering with others, conquest of death, what  
human life ought to be and what God is like. We believe that the  
spirit of God is with us, now and always, and can be experienced  
in prayer, in forgiveness, in the word, in the sacraments, the  
community of the church, and all that we do. Amen.

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN Laura Steager  
(9:00 am—see "Children in Worship")

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ellen Malcom  
We are glad you are worshipping with us today. Please take a moment to  
sign the pew pad and pass it along to your neighbor, and then pass it  
back so that you may take the opportunity to greet those sitting near  
you after the service. Please provide your address and your e-mail ad-  
dress so that we may contact you about upcoming events that may be of  
interest to you.

A LITANY OF CELEBRATION (9:00) Jennifer Tothero  
(11:15) Monica Manning

Leader: Gracious God, you who created the breath in our bodies and  
the eternal Spirit that knows no end, we glorify you today and al-  
ways, and we celebrate women who have used the gifts you have  
given to them to transform the church and the world. We call on  
these women of yesterday, today, and tomorrow to help us discover  
within ourselves the strength and the ability to change the world.

**All: We remember Sarah and Hagar, women whose lives were  
curiously intertwined and who, in their own ways, put their faith  
in a gracious God who would provide for them.**

Leader: We are grateful for their faithfulness.

**All: We remember Mary and Martha, sisters who served in very  
different ways.**

Leader: We are grateful for their acts of service.

**All: We remember Vashti and Esther, a queen who stood up for her  
dignity and a queen who stood up for her people.**

Leader: We are grateful for their courage.

**All: We remember Mary, the mother of Jesus, who, though young  
and frightened, answered God's call, saying, "Here I am, the ser-  
vant of God."**

Leader: We are grateful for her humility.

**All: We remember Mary Magdalene, the first woman mentioned in  
every listing of the women who served with and followed Jesus,  
and the first one to proclaim the resurrection. Instructed by Jesus  
to "Go and tell," she announced, "I have seen the Lord!"**

Leader: We are grateful for her bold proclamation.

**All: We remember Lydia, Priscilla and all the women who were  
leaders in the early church.**

Leader: We are grateful that they opened their homes and their hearts,  
that the gospel was spread, and that Congregations were developed  
and transformed.

**All: We are thankful for all women in the faith, those whom we  
read about in scripture and those who serve our church. We pray  
for those who will lead in the future, opening up new possibilities  
for all women.**

Leader: As we look back, help us also to reach forward to new genera-  
tions. We celebrate the leaders of tomorrow, just as we celebrate those  
here today who inspire us all. Loving God, be present among us as we  
celebrate and serve, remember and reflect, sing and lift up your  
daughters, who, with your help, build beloved communities that reflect  
your love and grace. Amen.

OFFERING  
Offertory "Sicilienne" -Maria Theresa von Paradis

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*HYMNAL NO. 341 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

SERMON "Charism" Candance Dannaker

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS Susan Reisinger