

The People of God Gather for Worship Second Sunday of Easter April 28, 2019

Kindly turn off or silence all electronic devices Please observe a time of silence during the prelude for reflection and preparation for worship

PRELUDE

Crown Him Lord of All!

James Ellor/Arr. G. Martin

WELCOME, CELEBRATIONS, & CONCERNS®

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

INVITATION OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 8

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

* HYMN NO. 231

Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us

HOLY MANNA

ANTHEM

The Lord Is My Light

Michael Bedford

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Christ is not weak in dealing with you, but is powerful in you. For he was crucified in weakness, but lives by the power of God. For we are weak in him, but in dealing with you we will live with him by the power of God. For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak and you are strong. This is what we pray for, that you may become perfect. Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

CALL TO CONFESSION NO. 230 Now the Green Blade Rises (vs. 1-2) NOEL NOUVELET Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been.

Love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid the love by hatred slain, thinking that Jesus would not wake again; laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen.

Love is come again like wheat arising green.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of the One who walks beside us, our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSE NO. 230

Now the Green Blade Rises (vs. 3-4)

NOEL NOUVELET

Christ came forth at Easter, like the risen grain, Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain; raised from the dead, the risen Christ is seen.

Love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Jesus' touch can call us back to life again; fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been.

Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Rick Founds

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky.

Lord, I lift your name on high!

SERMON

AUF WIEDERSEHEN

INVITATION TO SHARE®

* Offertory

Hymn of Promise

N. Sleeth/Setting by J. Carter

* Response Give Thanks

Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich" because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

* Dedication of offering and One Great Hour of Sharing

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND PETITION

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.

* HYMN NO. 234

DIADEMATA

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE Light of the Living God David Paxton

- * Indicates those who are able please stand
- Please fill out the pew pad. In order that we may best serve your spiritual needs, please use the prayer request cards in the pew rack and place them in the offering

Bold Indicates congregational response

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WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

Minister: Rev. David Bucholtz Music Director: Mary Sue Moore

Greeters: Norma Brees and Joyce Guenther

Ushers: Larry Egeler, Fred Jahnke, Judy Jahnke

Acolyte: Elizabeth Diuble Lay Reader: Becky Mann

Anthem: Women's Ensemble; Susie Amrhein, Flute Child Care: Victoria St. Charles and Lillian Diuble

Altar Flowers: Given by Jean Martin and Nancy Loudin in memory of

Grover Alber

PRAYER REQUESTS

In the spirit of Christian love, remember these people and their families in your thoughts and prayers – not only today, but throughout the coming week.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	SUBMITTED BY
April 7	Joseph Glasser Family of Scott Maxwell Family of Irene Roehm Vogt	Cathy Moore
April 14	Mike BrownRussel Hieber	<u> </u>
April 21	Family of Andy Brook	Pastor Bucholtz Jean Holder Carol Colby Carol Colby Betty Jean Harper
April 28	Family & friends of George Vix Karen Bellm Debra Carr Gracyn Hehr Family & Friends of Mark Jordan Family of Georg Menge Betty Suhre	Renee St. Charles Linda Wolff Cathy and Mary Sue Moore Jill Corwin Julie Tobias
Those Serving Our Country		
Sept. 25, 2010 Jan. 13, 2013 April 3, 2016 Oct. 8, 2017 Sept. 2, 2018 Feb. 24, 2019	Gy-Sgt. Evan Wahl, U.S. Marines	y Harvey & Marcella Luckhardt Darlene Kuebler Jody Munson

TODAY AT BETHEL

9:30 a.m. Worship - One Great Hour of Sharing special mission offering dedication

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Bethel Chamber Orchestra rehearsal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., April 29 **6:30-7:15 p.m.** Children's Choir rehearsal

6:30-7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal

7:30-9:00 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal

Tues., April 30 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Bethel Quilters

7:15 p.m. Youth Task Force meeting

Wed., May 1 12:00 p.m. Salad Smorgasbord at Manchester United Methodist

Church

Sun., May 5 9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Sunday School - note later dismissal time

10:45 a.m. Evangelism Committee meeting

Mon., May 6 6:30-7:15 p.m. Children's Choir rehearsal

6:30-7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal

7:30-9:00 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal

Tues., May 7 **6:30 p.m.** Memorial Committee meeting

Sun., May 12 Mother's Day

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Sunday School - note later dismissal time

Mon., May 13 **6:30 p.m.** Praise Choir rehearsal

7:30-8:30 p.m. Bethel Chamber Orchestra rehearsal

No Handbell or Senior Choir rehearsal

Wed., May 15 **6:45 p.m.** Church Board meeting

Thurs., May 16 7:00-9:00 p.m. Vitality Retreat

Sat., May 18 Youth Ministry attend Vision Walk

IN THE COMMUNITY

Thurs., May 2 5:00-6:30 p.m. Meatloaf Dinner & Bake Sale at St. Andrew's UCC,

Dexter. \$10/Adult, \$5/Youth ages 5-12

Sat., May 4 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Camp Talahi Spring Clean-up Day. Lunch provided.

Sun., May 5 3:00 p.m. Brian Brill & Friends free concert at Chelsea First United

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