

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

APRIL 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in D

David N. Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Followers of Jesus, by his cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin.

Alleluia!

By his rising we are free from the fear of death.

Alleluia!

By his love we are made new in the living and enduring Word of God.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you, O God, that we have been caught in the web of the world's sin. By the power of the Holy Spirit, save us from these deceptions and free us for glad obedience, that we may see the joy of Jesus' resurrection and receive the promise of everlasting life.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession

We have moved the Passing of the Peace to the end of this morning's worship service.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

JOYFUL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

Come sing, O church, in joy!

Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mary Evans

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:13-35

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

Cut to the Heart

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God: omnipresent, in every time, and in every place, generating and sustaining all life, nurturing relationship with Creation.

We believe in Jesus, the Christ, who lived and loved, taught and died; the One who conquered death and who surprises us with grace, when we least expect or deserve it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who journeys with us and makes our faith possible, in every situation and every circumstance.

We believe that every place we pause to recognize the mystery of our Triune God, is a sacred place, from sanctuary on Lavista to sunrises over the Atlantic Ocean to our own living rooms. Surely, God is with us in every time and in every place, and we are grateful.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY AND WORLD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian SPIRITUAL

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.**

**When we must be apart, it gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart, until we meet again.**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE