

# Welcome to Worship! | April 23, 2023 | Third Sunday of Easter

It is good you are here! Please silence all electronic devices.

#### **GATHERING**

Prelude At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Jan Bender

Welcome

Introit I've Got Peace Like a River

Marvin Frey

Preschool Choir

\*Call to Worship

Lord, as you walk with us, as we journey together,

May your word fill our hearts!

As you speak with us, as your love is revealed,

May your fire burn in our hearts!

As we proclaim what we have seen and heard,

May all people be drawn to you, the risen Lord!

## \*Gathering Prayer

\*Hymn He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (accompanied by ukulele group)
He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.
He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the sun and the moon in his hands. He's got the sun and the moon in his hands. He's got the sun and the moon in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. He's got the wind and the rain in his hands.

He's got you and me, **sister**, in his hands. He's got you and me, **brother**, in his hands He's got **everybody here**, in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Living Lord, by the power of your Spirit, you are present among us. Yet, like the first disciples, we fail to see you in our midst. We do not realize you are walking beside us, for we are preoccupied by our own concerns. We do not notice you in everyday encounters, for we are distracted by daily labors. We do not recognize you on our streets or at our tables, for our expectations are too limited to imagine all the ways you dwell among us. Open our eyes to perceive you in our midst, so that - seeing you clearly - we might follow you faithfully. Amen.

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

\*Sung Response 441 Hear the Good News of Salvation (vs 1)

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love. Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above. Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able.

## \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.** 

\*Hymn 649 Amazing Grace (Accompanied by ukulele group)

Verses 1, 2 & 5

**1** Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

**2** 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

**5** When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

# **WORD**

Scripture Reading: Psalm 8

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon: Recognizing Resurrection Katie Harrington

\*Hymn 370 This Is My Father's World

\*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

## **THANKSGIVING**

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prelude (Op. 101, No. 1)

Charles V. Stanford

\*Doxology 606

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### **SENDING**

\*Hymn 248 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

\*Blessing

\*Dismissal

We stand while the bell is rung three times, remembering that God, Creator, Redeemer and Renewer of Life goes with us.

Postlude Procession

C.S. Lang

#### **Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor, Rev. Katie Harrington Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith (or liturgist) Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger m&m Ukulele Group SACPC Preschool Choir Organist, Sara Bryant