CELEBRATION THROUGH PROCLAMATION

SERMON 'He's An On Time God' Deborah Webb

CELEBRATION THROUGH COMMITMENT

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

What can we give back to God for all the good things God has done for us? We can never repay this gift, but we can bring our gifts for God's work in the world.

THE LORD'S OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY 'Aria (from "Water Music") G.F. Handle

*DOXOLOGY No. 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of love, source of all goodness, you hear our cries and you answer. With grateful hearts, we bring our gifts to you. We bring our offerings, as a gift of thanksgiving for your presence in our lives. We are your servants, and we offer ourselves with joy. Amen.

CELEBRATION THROUGH SENDING

*BENEDICTION

As you walk the paths of life, know that Jesus is with you, blessing you with his presence.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 'Danish Amen' No. 898

A-men, a-men, a-men

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 'Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name' No. 663 V. 1 & 2

*POSTLUDE 'Psalm 19' Benedetto Marcello

WE TAKE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

April 23, 2023

3rd Sunday of Easter

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Welcome Visitors: We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us today. If you have questions concerning the service, please feel free to ask an usher or a person sitting near you. If you do not have a permanent church home, please consider joining us. May God bless your experience in worship with us today. We are here to serve, so please let us know how we might better serve you.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CELEBRATION THROUGH CENTERING

PRELUDE 'Praise to the Lord the Almighty' Max Drischner

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS

In the midst of confusion and doubt, Love walks beside us.

CELEBRATION THROUGH ADORATION

*OPENING HYMN AND BRINGING FORTH THE LIGHT

'The Day of Resurrection' No. 303

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come walk with us.

People: We will join the journey.

Leader: Let us talk together.

People: We will listen and speak.

Leader: Christ goes with us.

People: Jesus guides our steps.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, we are often confused by the events in our world. Come and walk with us. Open our hearts to hear your truth. Plant the seed of new life within us. In trust of your loving presence, we pray. Amen.

INTROIT 'O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee' No. 430 V. 1 & 4

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF PRAYER 'Just a Closer Walk with Thee' TFWS No. 2158 V. 1

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE 'Just a Closer Walk with Thee' TFWS No. 2158 V. 2

*SHARING THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: May we stand and offer one another signs of peace and reconciliation.

CELEBRATION THROUGH THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: O Lord, open our eyes, our ears our minds, and our hearts.

People: that we might behold wondrous things out of your word.

CHORAL RESPONSE 'Thy Word' No. 601 (Refrain only)

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

FIRST LESSON Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 'Alleluia' No. 186

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia"

Leader: The Lord be with you, **People:** and also with you.

Leader: A reading from the Gospel of St. Luke.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

*THE GOSPEL IS READ Luke 24: 13-35

*THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Leader: The Gospel of the Living Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 70