

Christian Service of Worship

Third Sunday of Easter

April 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

**indicates for those who are able to stand*

Welcome and Mission Announcements Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

*Passing of the Peace of Christ

*(As the risen Christ greeted his beloved disciples with the greeting, "Christ is risen!"
let us now turn and greet one another in mutual love.*

Prelude Voluntary IV J. Stanley

*Entrance Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 2

*Call to Worship Ruth Lutz

One: Then I looked and I heard the voice of many angels and living creatures and elders signing.

Many: Worthy is the Lamb of God!

One: Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea singing:

All: To God and Christ be blessing and honor and glory forever and ever! Amen.

*Unison Prayer of Invocation Ruth Lutz

This morning, God, some of us feel that our faith is solid; for others, our faith is shaky at best. For some, we need calm in the midst of life's storms; for others, we need something to stir life in us. Please show yourself to us again this day and give us your wisdom, your direction, your love, and your redemption. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

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. Amen.

We Receive and Respond to the Word

Lessons from the Holy Scriptures Ruth Lutz

Mark 6:30-44 (*Pew Bible NT Page 41*)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Children's Focus on Faith Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

*Children welcome, in the name of Jesus. Children welcome, in the name of love.
All are welcome, in the name of Jesus. All are welcome, in the name of love.*

Joys and Concerns for Church and Community Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Barbara Sims-King

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Anthem

Jesus Came, The Heavens Adoring

Jay Althouse

Dismissal for Children's Church with Yolanda Lewellyn

Sermon

"They Ate and Were Filled"

Rev. Lynn Trapp

Invitation to Discipleship

*(You may join First Christian Church by transfer of membership, confession of faith,
or by renewal of the vows of your baptism. Please come forward during the hymn.)*

*Hymn of Invitation

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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We Remember and Celebrate as the Body of Christ

Invitation to Faithful Stewardship

Rev. Wendy Wyche

Offertory Music

But the Lord is Mindful

F. Mendelssohn

*Doxology (Hymn of Praise)

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow **46**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer

Rev. Wendy Wyche

Communion Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Lynn Trapp

Prayers for the Bread and Cup

Ruth Lutz and Rev. Wendy Wyche

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

One: For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said,

Many: "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

One: In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying,

Many: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

One: For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

(Christ invites you to partake of Holy Communion. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us. You may partake of the Bread as it is passed and hold the Cup, or you may hold both elements so that we may partake of Holy Communion together.)

Prayer of Commission

God our help: We thank you for this supper, shared in the spirit with your son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in Him and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us.

We Are Led Out By the Spirit

*Hymn of Going Forth *Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us* **231**
*Benediction Rev. Lynn Trapp
Postlude *Voluntary V* J. Stanley

Welcome home! We are delighted that you are here today. Please fill out the Visitor-Member Card so we may have a record of your participation.

If you wish for a prayer joy or concern to be shared aloud during worship, please complete the back of the card now. Deacons collect prayer cards before our pastoral prayer. If your prayer request is confidential or you simply do not want it shared aloud, you may place your card in the offering plate alongside our collective tithes and offerings. On Monday morning our Prayer Ministry will lift up to God your prayer requests.

We kindly request that, unless you are on-call for professional reasons, all cell phones and electronic devices be turned off during worship. Thank you.

The Holy Scriptures for today may be found printed in the bulletin insert.

Ministers: All the People

Your Church Staff:

The Rev. Dr. James L. Brewer-Calvert,
Senior Pastor
William E. Garner, *Director of Music*
Rev. Barbara Sims-King,
Dir. of Christian Education
Greta Glenn, *Acting Church Organist*
Sherry Davis, *Church Administrator*
Ron Smith, *Custodian*

Your Volunteer

Wedding Coordinator:

Diana Blake, *Wedding Coordinator*

Continental Breakfast

Apr. 10: Mary Frances Early

Apr. 17:

Apr. 24: Brewer-Calvert Family

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Preaching: Rev. Lynn Trapp
Holy Scriptures: Mark 6: 30-44
Elders: Ruth Lutz and Rev. Wendy Wyche
Deacons: Bridgette Boker, Ariadne Shirley, Sylvia Gibbs

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

Preaching: Rev. Dr. James Brewer-Calvert
Holy Scriptures: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23, Revelation 7: 9-17; John 10: 22-30
Elders: Tumara Jackson and Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert
Deacons: Susan Watts, Russell Broomfield, Johnnie Barber

Next Church Board Meeting and Luncheon
Sunday, April 24th at 12 Noon



Welcome Home!

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Resolve to Love, Agree to Differ, Unite to Serve, Break Bread Together