

Second Sunday of Easter

United Women in Faith Sunday

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
April 16, 2023

*Please turn off or silence all cell phones prior to the service.
The asterisk (*) indicates to stand, as you are able.*

WELCOME Dr. John Robbins

OPENING VOLUNTARY *At Easter-Tide* Charles Villiers Stanford
Sungyun Kim, organ

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Gail Hocott

Pastor: Joyful is the sound we make this morning!

People: For this day liberates us from doubt and fear.

Pastor: Thankful is the song we sing!

People: For this day moves us past darkness and despair.

Pastor: Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!

People: For this day awakens in us long-awaited new life.

Pastor: Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name,
I am there among them."

People: Christ lives here and now.

He is among us at this and every moment.

*** OPENING HYMN 89** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada) Susan Dunn

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence,

**to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen

*** GLORIA PATRI 70** MEINEKE

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.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (9:00) William Ottis "Witt" Vaughan IV
(9:00) Nellah Jane Vaughan
(11:00) Ryan Taylor Coleman

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's holy church,
for we are all one in Christ Jesus, our Lord. We promise to love, encourage,
nurture and support you, and to help you know and follow Christ.**

FIRST LESSON Psalm 16 (9:00) Mary Boyce
(11:00) Rev. Belinda Price

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* Hal Hopson
Chancel Choir Women; Dr. Frode Gundersen, conductor

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Katy Chambers
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all
who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins
and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy,
full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
and in whose name we pray:**

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 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.**

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH Mary Catherine Armstrong

RECOGNITION OF MISSION WORK Elaine McNiece & Kathy Roberts

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING Rev. Abbey Maynard

OFFERTORY *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Larry Shackley
Dr. Frode Gundersen, piano

*** DOXOLOGY 95** OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** HYMN 581** *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* BEACH SPRING

*** SCRIPTURE LESSON** 2 Corinthians 12:1-10
This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

* GREETING

SERMON Strength in Weakness Dr. John Robbins

*** CLOSING HYMN 578** *God of Love and God of Power* UNSER HERRSCHER

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

**We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you
to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it
with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* John Rutter
Chancel Choir Women; Rev. Gail Hocott, conductor

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Fantasy on 'Easter Hymn'

William Harris

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Dr. John Robbins, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor, Community Ministries*
Rev. Katy Chambers, *Associate Pastor*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*
Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist*

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Andrew Duke & Tucker Norton
(11:00) Mary Carol Daugherty & Will Daugherty

USHERS

(9:00) Christian Harris (*Lead*), Caroline Beauchamp, Rick Fleetwood, Mark Mathisen, Becky McCoy, Carole Provin
(11:00) Nancy Leonhardt (*Lead*), Pat Crane, Amy Ezell, Daniel Hines, Boo Jennings, John Jones, Martha Landes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of Jim Monk by Barrett, Andrew, Tucker & Brooks Norton.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of all interred there by the Columbarium Board.