

Third Sunday of Easter

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
April 23, 2023

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

WELCOME Rev. Kathleen McMurray

OPENING VOLUNTARY *He Leadeth Me* arr. Jason Payne
Sungyun Kim, organ

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6)

Pastor: Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.**

Pastor: God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

**People: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN 126** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* MIT FREUDEN ZART

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed) Rev. Jay Clark

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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.**

ANTHEM *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. John Behnke
PHUMC Handbell Ensemble

FIRST LESSON Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 Charles Holloway
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Dr. Jeffery Hampton
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy.
God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we admit we have not always loved you, nor
have we listened when you called us. We repent in spirit and in truth, and gratefully
receive your forgiveness through 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.**

CHORAL AMEN

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING Rev. Clark

OFFERTORY *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. John Purifoy
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 128** *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought* HE LEADETH ME

*** SCRIPTURE LESSON** James 5:13-16
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

* GREETING

SERMON *The Power of Prayer* Rev. McMurray
Series: The Promises We Make

*** CLOSING HYMN 185** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

* 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.**

* BENEDICTION

**Let us go out and inspire love, embrace Christ, engage the world,
and tell somebody about Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church.**

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY** *Toccata from Suite Gothique, Op. 25* Léon Boëllmann
Sungyun Kim, organ

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jay Clark, *Executive Pastor*
Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor, Caring Ministries*
Rev. Kathleen McMurray, *Pastor, Connecting Ministries & Worship*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*
Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist*

USHERS

(9:00) Cindy Simpson (*Lead*), Ann Bortz, Emily Erkel, Arline Jackson, Walker Lampley
(11:00) David Jones (*Lead*), Emmy Jones, Anne Laidlaw, Hayes Laidlaw, Jim Moody

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Gibson Lampley

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Spencer McIlroy Hawkins by his parents Melissa and Drake Hawkins.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Cal McCastlain, Jr.,
by Joyce, Hunter and Catherine Babin.