

Fourth 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 Dr. John Robbins

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Meditation* Louis Vierne
Sungyun Kim, organ

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 113:1-3)

Pastor: Hallelujah! Servants of God, praise,

People: praise the name of the Lord.

Pastor: Bless the Lord's name now and always.

People: Praise the Lord's name here and in every place from east to west.

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN 57** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed) Rev. Abbey Maynard

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.

FIRST LESSON Psalm 23 (9:00) Sarah Clem
(11:00) Linda Powell

SOLO *The Call* Ralph Vaughan Williams
Kathryn Howell, soloist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Jay Clark

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

God of all faithfulness, you have opened the gate of mercy for your people and are always ready to welcome those who turn to you. Look on us in your compassion, that we may gladly respond to your love and faithfully walk in your way through Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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. Maynard

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me* arr. K. Lee Scott
Chancel Choir

*** 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 140** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

*** SCRIPTURE LESSON** Acts 2:43-47

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*** GREETING**

SERMON Presence Dr. Robbins
Series: The Promises We Make

*** CLOSING HYMN 549** *Where Charity and Love Prevail* ST. PETER

*** 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** *Festival Piece on 'Nicaea'* Jerry Westenkuehler
Sungyun Kim, organ

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Dr. John Robbins, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Jay Clark, *Executive Pastor*

Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor, Community Ministries*

Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship*

Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist*

USHERS

(9:00) Grant Cox (*Lead*), Lee Archer, Nancy Archer, Nancy Bartlett, Harryette Shue
(11:00) Jan Sullivan (*Lead*), Andy Agar, Jennie Cole, Keith Gober, Ray Porter

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Andrew Duke & Tucker Norton

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Rebecca Stiles Hinkle by Sam & Carolyn Stiles.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Cathy & Lou Sanders
by Shari Sanders.