

# Second Sunday of Easter

United Women in Faith Sunday

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church

Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

April 7, 2024

*\*The asterisk indicates to stand, as you are able.*

*Large print hymnals and magnifying readers are available in the narthex.*

## WELCOME

Rev. Abbey Maynard

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

*At Easter-tide*  
Sungyun Kim, organ

*Charles Villiers Stanford*

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

(9:00) Gail Hocott  
(11:00) Mary Catherine Armstrong

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.**

**All: 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)

Rev. Belinda Price

**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

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**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

*The Gift of Love*  
Chancel Choir Women's Ensemble  
Elizabeth Kilgroe & Karen Clark, soloists

*Hal Hopson*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Jeffery Hampton

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,  
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death.  
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death.  
We overlook the poor and the hungry and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries  
of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust  
your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant  
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Hear the good news.

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven,**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

## HYMN 605

*Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*  
(Stanzas 1 & 2)

BEACH SPRING

## \* SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 16:13-15

(9:00) Bitsi Bonner  
(11:00) Amanda Craven

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

## \* GREETING

## \* SERMON

What We Have to Give

Rev. Maynard

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Karon Mann

## GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

## OFFERTORY

*Let All Things Now Living*  
Dr. Frode Gundersen, piano

*Arr. Larry Shackley*

## \* DOXOLOGY 95

**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.**

OLD 100TH

## \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Dr. Hampton

*The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:*  
And so, with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might. Heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving and concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
We offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:  
All honor is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.



#### 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.

#### SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

#### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- \* 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.
- \* BENEDICTION
- \* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Fantasy: Easter Hymn* William H. Harris  
Sungyun Kim, Organ

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor of Community Ministries*; Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor of Caring Ministries*  
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Worship & Arts*; Sungyun Kim, *Organist & Associate Music Director*

#### ACOLYTES

(9:00) Clark Stewart (11:00) Lucy Ford

#### SOUND

Bob Worthington

#### ALTAR GUILD

Sally Davis, Sunny Hawk, Judy Irwin, Cecile Kimmer

#### USHERS

(9:00) Caroline Beauchamp (Lead), George Cox, Grant Cox, Dixie Fair, Rick Fleetwood,  
Geoff Gwinn, Deborah Jackson, Martha Landes, Sarah Argue  
(11:00) Jan Sullivan (Lead), Edith Bowman, Scott Clement, Amy Ezell, David Ezell, Marilyn Micheletti, Jan Sullivan

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in honor and memory of all the United Women in Faith.

#### COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary-Britton "Boogie" Norton by her family.

**INSPIRE LOVE. EMBRACE CHRIST. ENGAGE THE WORLD.**

