2nd Sunday of Easter

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. April 27, 2025

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

Magnifying readers are available in the narthex. Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk.

BELL TOLL

WELCOME Rev. Daniel Curry

OPENING VOLUNTARY At Easter-tide Charles Villiers Stanford

Sungyun Kim, organ

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, with our whole heart;

People: we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

Pastor: We will be glad and exult in you;

People: we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

All: Let us praise our Lord, King of creation!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 60 I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

OLD 113th

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

Dr. Jeffery Hampton

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.

(9:00) SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ivy Abigail Woodruff

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Ellen Rowland

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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, You created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; 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

ANTHEM Festival Prelude on 'Lobe den Herren' arr. Douglas Wagner

Handbell Ensemble

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING Dr. Hampton

OFFERTORY Sometimes a Light Surprises 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.

* SCRIPTURE LESSON John 20:19-31 Rev. Curry

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

Thanks be to God.

* GREETING

SERMON A Proclamation of Peace

(9:00) STEPHEN MINISTRY COMMISSIONING

Dr. Hampton

Cindy Buehling, Paul Koesy, Suzy Koesy, Bill Mann, Jananne Reding, Cindy Simpson, Warren Simpson, & Ronda Haltom Walker

(9:00) PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Rev. Curry

Because you have promised faithfully to serve God and the people of Christ as Stephen Ministers, we commend you to the care and guidance of the Holy Spirit, as you, in turn, care for others. Act boldly and without fear, for Christ is with you. And, may the God of peace sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

* CLOSING HYMN 303 The Day of Resurrection

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* 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 on 'Easter Hymn'
Sungyun Kim, organ

William H. Harris

Communion is available immediately following this service in the Chapel.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Daniel Curry, Associate Pastor of Caring & Older Adult Ministries Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor of Caring Ministries* Rev. Ellen Rowland, Pastor of Youth & Families Dr. Frode Gundersen, Director of Music, Worship & Arts Sungyun Kim, Associate Music Director & Organist

USHERS

(9:00) Lee Archer (Lead), Nancy Archer, Laura Spradley, Mark Spradley (11:00) David Jones (Lead), Richard Bright, Will Jones, Keith Gober

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Ella Jennings & George Jennings

ALTAR GUILD

Cecile Kimmer

SOUND

Bob Worthington

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The flowers in the Columbarium Garden are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nick Benson by his loving family.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Spencer McIlroy Hawkins by his parents Melissa and Drake Hawkins.

INSPIRE LOVE. EMBRACE CHRIST. ENGAGE THE WORLD.













