

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2009

10:50 AM

To bear fruit is both a gift and a responsibility. Nourishment flows through the vine, bringing gifts of beauty as leaves and buds appear. Cultivation and care coax the fruit to maturity in time for the harvest. There is both promise and judgment as Christ calls his disciples to go and bear fruit. With the promise of God's sustenance, believers will be judged by the gifts of love they produce.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.

WELCOME/MEDITATION

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Please indicate any prayer concerns also to be given to the ushers during the offering.

Prelude *Simple Gifts* **Coda**
Belles Ensemble

*Call to Worship

Come, children of God, to sing a new song, clap your hands and shout for joy.

Jesus is our good news, our joy, and our salvation.

In steadfast love and faithfulness God has done marvelous things.

God raised Jesus from the dead; Christ is alive and at work among us.

The ends of the earth turn to God; all families of nations worship our creator.

Christ is the vine, we are the branches. Apart from Christ we can do nothing.

***Processional Hymn** *Lord of the Dance* **Page 261**

*Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** *They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love* **TFWS 2223**

PROCLAMATION

New Testament Lesson *Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-13* **N. T. Page 199**

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

Sunday School Choir *Share the Easter Joy* **Patterson**

Children's Church (Children age 4 through 1st grade may go to the Children's Church Room)

Offertory Prayer **Unison**

Let us pray: **You fill our cups to overflowing and empower us for good deeds. Be pleased, O God, to use these tokens of our love for the sake of your whole flock. May our gifts serve to bring others into your fold and equip us all to live fully as your own. Amen.**

Offertory Anthem *My Jesus, I Love Thee* **Sjolund**

***Doxology** **Page 95**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Hymn** *Here I Am, Lord* **Page 593**

Special Music *I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked* **Bob Friend**

Gospel Reading *John 17:13-26* **N. T. Page 111**

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Message *The Lord's Supper As ...* **Rev. Dr. Maurice Hancock**

RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

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.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn** *Pass It On* **Page 572**

*Commission and Blessing

Walk in the light as God's own children, united in love for one another.

We would dwell in God's house and abide in Christ's love.

Be guided by God's word, that you may bear good fruit.

We pray for God's guidance, that we may love in word and deed.

The Spirit of Christ sends you on your way rejoicing.

All the ends of the earth are responding to what God has done for us in Christ.

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

***Postlude** *Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Living Bread* **Pachelbel**

***Please stand as you are able. Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. Please see an usher for assistance.**

Welcome! We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of James Emory's birthday by his wife, Pat, and daughter, Rachael LeMmond. The **Acolytes** are Emory Magner and Lynette Any. The **Crucifer** is Jess Wade. **First Response Team:** Dina Giese and Vicky White. The **Lay Reader** and **Communion Servers** are Elizabeth Rumford and Adam Kelchner. The **Greeter** is Margie Kaszuba.

The **Upper Room** devotional for May and June is now available for you to pick up. This devotional guide is available on the table in the hall across from the church office. A suggested donation of \$0.75 for small print and \$1.00 for large print is requested.

Nancy and Kip Robinson are traveling to Rumbek, Southern Sudan, on a UMVIM team from April 20 to May 7, 2009. We offer our prayers to them and to the following members of the team: Rev. Nancy Childress, Mary Anger, Belinda Gaskins, Mary Hanchey, Ginger Isom, Angelo Maker, Kip Robinson and Rev. Nancy Robinson. The names of all the UMVIM team members going to Africa this week are on slips of paper in the narthex as you leave. Please pick one or more names as you leave and pray for them each day until May 7. Your prayers are important to the team and all missionaries of the UMC!

Flowers: Sunday, May 17 and May 31 are open for anyone to sign up for flowers. Please see Helen Adams or call her at 262-8596

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We envision churches where all God's people are welcomed at table, nurtured and transformed to be Christ to others in the world

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