



“Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple,
they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,
praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.”

Acts 2:46

May 3, 2020

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

May 3, 2020

4th Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 23

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures.

Leader: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul:

People: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Leader: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:

People: For thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Leader: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

People: Thou anointest my head with oil. My cup runneth over.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

People: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*HYMN

"Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us"

Charles Dickerson

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
In thy pleasant pastures lead us, for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
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**We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: God of grace, you pour out your Spirit upon your people. You bring us into community with each other and with you. You reach across barriers of language and culture, of race and nation, to make us one family of faith. Help us to see one another as brothers and sisters in your love, and to share our lives with each other with joy and compassion. Let your Spirit lead us deeper into the grace and joy which are ours in Christ. We pray in his name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Chris Larson

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jonathan Chute

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“Down by the Riverside”

3rd service ensemble

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

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.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Althea Waites

DOXOLOGY

Charles Dickerson

**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.**

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:42-47

Life in the early church

Chris Larson

SERMON

“New Tricks”

Jonathan Chute

*HYMN

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Charles Dickerson

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God our Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

**(Refrain) Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you.
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

“John the Revelator”

3rd service ensemble

3rd service ensemble: Paula Kuno – guitar/mandolin/vocals,
Teresa James – piano/flute/vocals, Michael Starr – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals,
Zach Provost – piano/vocals, Cory Tramontelli – bass/vocals,
Jack Sollecito – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse
Megan Pelc, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Debra DeLuca, Children’s Ministry Director
Kristin Rekse, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Althea Waites, Organist
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
John Fitzgerald, Treasurer
Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr
Roksolana Vecerek, Exec. Asst. to Pastor
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.
Miguel Portillo, Custodian