Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2014

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor Dr. Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"This is the Day"

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 16)

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel.
I keep the Lord always before me;
Because he is at my right hand I shall not be moved.
Gracious Lord, you show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
In your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #205

"Come, Ye Faithful"

*SALUTATION

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Almighty God, we praise your name that in Jesus Christ your Son you came to earth to reconcile us both to one another, and to you. Your love for us is beyond our understanding, and we give thanks for your unfathomable love supremely expressed on Calvary. O most merciful Lord, your love demands all we are, have, and hope as our offering to you.

May your resurrection be for us a living experience as we seek always to walk with you. Lord, hear our prayer; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING #34 Psalm 148

(Page 505 Hymnal)

CONGEGREGATIONAL SONGS

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky.
Lord, I lift your name on high!

CONGEGREGATIONAL SONGS (continued):

"Because He Lives"

(see insert)

SPECIAL MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Mandy Shafer, Ben Shafer

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE I Peter 1:1-9 (Page 182 New Testament)

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

*MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

*HYMN #203 "The Strife Is O'er"

SERMON "A Living Hope"

Our Response to God

*CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed (Page 12 Hymnal)

RECEPTION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "The Glory of the Lord"

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN #368 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE "Three Fold Amen"

*POSTLUDE

*The congregation may stand.

Many thanks to Mandy Shafer, who always goes beyond the call of duty to insure that her musical gifts are used in the service of the Lord. She and Ben Shafer will provide the first Music Ministry this morning.

TODAY'S STEWARDS

Greeter: Liz White

Ushers: Ron Dellenger, John Ferris, Walt & Lucy Paradies

Nursery: Andy & Katharine Hoyt

Fellowship: Luncheon

Next week's stewards (May 4):

Greeters: David & Donna Francis

Ushers: Libby Burton, Nancy Dey, Pete & Barbara Nickel

Nursery: Nancy Dey & Barbara Nickel

Fellowship:

GUEST PIANIST

We extend our thanks to Carol Myers for providing the music for our Worship Service today.

FOOD PANTRY

Needed items are: cereal, sugar, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, canned milk, jelly, ramen noodles, beef stew, chili, condiments like ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, hot sauce. They could also use laundry detergent, dish detergent, paper towels and toilet paper.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

There is a need for volunteers who can provide snacks on Sunday mornings following worship. Please see the sign-up sheet and sign up for the Sunday of your choice. Your help is greatly appreciated!