

April 24, 2022 - Livestream 2nd Sunday of Easter

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

arr. J. Linker

Diane Gattone

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my song;

The Lord has become my victory.

People: The strong right arm of the Lord has done glorious things! This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous to see.

- Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
- All: The Lord's faithful love endures forever.

*OPENING HYMN #364

Because He Lives

God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal, and forgive; he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Refrain: Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy Jesus gives; but greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because he lives. [Refrain]

And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain; and then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns. [Refrain]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jim McDonald

God our light, make us attentive to your Word as to a lamp shining in a dark place, that seeing your truth we may live in your light until that great day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 1:4-8

⁴This letter is from John to the seven churches in the province of Asia. Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; ⁵ and from Jesus Christ. He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world. All glory to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us. ⁶ He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.

⁷ "Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven.

And everyone will see him even those who pierced him. And all the nations of the world will mourn for him.

Yes! Amen!"

⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end," says the Lord God. "I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem	Behold the Lamb of God	C. Courtney
		Cathedral Singers
Behold the Lamb of God,		
a perfect sacrifice for all,		
	behold his hands, his side.	
	ss Lamb, for me was crucified.	
-	e, and earth her honors bring	
· · ·	od, the great, eternal King.	
	gold, ye ransomed host above.	
Praise him who bought y	ou with his blood, and saved you by his love.	
*CANTICLE OF PRAISE	Psalm 150	Diane Gattone
Leader: Praise the Lord!		
People: Praise God in th	e heavenly sanctuary;	
praise God in th	ne mighty firmament!	
Leader: Praise Yahweh's	mighty deeds;	
praise the Sove	reign One's surpassing greatness!	
People: Praise God with	trumpet sound;	
praise God with	lute and harp!	
Leader: Praise the Etern	al One with tambourine and dance;	
praise the Everl	asting One with strings and pipe!	
People: Praise the Lord	with clanging cymbals;	
praise the Almi	ghty with loud clashing cymbals!	
Leader: Let everything t	nat breathes praise God!	
People: Praise the Lord		
HYMN OF PRAYER #420	Breathe on Me, Breath of God	v. 1-2
Breathe on me, Breath o	f God, fill me with life anew,	
	ou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.	

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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.

Нум #420

420 Breathe on Me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,

till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM	l Know that My Redeemer Liveth	G.F. Handel	
		Kate Roberts, soprano	
I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.			
And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.			
For now is Christ risen from the dead	d, the first-fruits of them that sleep.		

*DOXOLOGY #94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your

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finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Sermon

The Faith of Thomas

Amy Sell

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #310

He Lives

I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today; I know that he is living, whatever foes may say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he's always near.

> Refrain: He lives (he lives), he lives (he lives), Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives (he lives), he lives (he lives), salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

In all the world around me I see his loving care, and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast; the day of his appearing will come at last. [Refrain]

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind. [Refrain]

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

arr. M. Helman

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Al Galloway from the Galloway family.

This week's worship leaders:

Diane Gattone, Pastor of Care & Nurture Amy Sell, Minister of Discipleship & Formation Brandon Wallace, Minister of Youth & Young Adults Jim McDonald, Liturgist John Hague, Jack Haefling & Allen McCormack, Audio Visual Heather Hinton, Organist Mark Gilgallon, Director of Music

> Family Game Night May 13, 5-8pm To sign up call 317-924-2612 or email <u>asell@northchurchindy.com</u> with the number of adults and children

Adult Sunday School Classes Sojourners Sunday School, Room 005 Power & Light Sunday School, Room 205

Sunday School Classes K-6 Grade Sunday school, Fellowship Hall 7-12 Grade Sunday school, Youth Room

Child Care Available in room 102 from 9:40am to 12pm Alternative Worship in Fellowship Hall during 11am service

Sunday Evening Offerings 4-6pm Youth Group (7th-12th) every Sunday, Youth Room ELEVATION (3rd-6th) every other Sunday, Room 203

Upcoming Events

- Mondays, April 18 May 23: Small Group Study of Devotional Classics, 6:30-8 p.m.
- Tuesdays Starting April 19: Tuesday Nights Together, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 13: Family Game Night, 5-8 p.m.
- Sunday, May 22: Premier of two original anthems for the North Church Series on Theology and Contemporary Issues in honor of Rev. Richard and Anna Lee Hamilton.
- Sunday, May 22: North Green Team Plant Exchange, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sunday, June 5: End-of-the-Year Family Picnic, 12-3 p.m.
- Saturday, June 11: Indy Pride Festival.
- Sunday, June 12: North Green Team Book Exchange, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.