



April 19, 2026 - Livestream
Third Sunday of Eastertide
Hamilton Series Sunday

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

Darren Cushman Wood

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

arr. C. Tambling

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Glory to God who won the victory over death by raising Jesus from the grave.

People: Glory to Christ who opened the gates to everlasting life.

Leader: Glory to the Spirit who leads us with peace and power.

People: Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #308

Thine Be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;

endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,

kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain: *Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;*

endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb;

lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom.

Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,

for our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!

Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.

Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love;

bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)

OPENING PRAYER

**God of life, you restore all good things
through the power of the risen Jesus.**

**Mend our brokenness that we may be
a fellowship of joy and an assembly of hope. Amen.**

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river in my soul.
 I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.
 I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got love like the ocean, I've got love like the ocean,
 I've got love like the ocean in my soul.
 I've got love like the ocean, I've got love like the ocean,
 I've got love like the ocean in my soul.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Leader: I love you, Lord! You answered my prayers.

People: You paid attention to me, and so I will pray to you as long as I live.

Leader: Death attacked from all sides, and I was captured by its painful chains.

**People: But when I was really hurting,
 I prayed and said, "Lord, please do not let me die!"**

Leader: What must I give you, Lord, for being so good to me?

**People: I will pour out an offering of wine to you,
 and I will pray in your name because you have saved me.**

Leader: I will keep my promise to you when your people meet.

You are deeply concerned when one of your loyal people faces death.

**People: I worship you, Lord, just as my mother did,
 and you have rescued me from the chains of death.**

Leader: I will offer you a sacrifice to show how grateful I am, and I will pray.

I will keep my promise to you when your people gather at your temple in Jerusalem.

People: Shout praises to the Lord!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jon Barber

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

¹⁴ Peter stood with the eleven apostles and spoke in a loud and clear voice to the crowd:

³⁶ Everyone in Israel should then know for certain that God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ, even though you put him to death on a cross. ³⁷ When the people heard this, they were very upset. They asked Peter and the other apostles, "Friends, what should we do?"

³⁸ Peter said to them, "Turn to God and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ This promise is for you and your children. It is for everyone our Lord God will choose, no matter where they live." ⁴⁰ Peter told them many other things as well. Then he said, "I beg you to save yourselves from what will happen to all these evil people." ⁴¹ On that day about 3,000 believed his message and were baptized.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**Refrain: *Jesu, Jesu,*
fill us with your love, show us how to serve
*the neighbors we have from you.***

***Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,*
*Master who acts as a slave to them. (Refrain)***

***Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,*
*neighbors are near and far away. (Refrain)***

***These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;*
*all these are neighbors to us and you. (Refrain)***

***Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves,*
*this is the way we should live with you. (Refrain)***

***Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,*
*Master who acts as a slave to them. (Refrain)***

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

Carol Tiller-Luchtman

Leader: This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we pray for the world:
Christ was raised and Christ is appearing.
Death has been swallowed up in victory.

People: **Thanks be to God who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.**

Leader: Therefore, let us pray for those who are neurodivergent.

People: **Amazing Creator,
who made us in your image full of diversity, mystery, and wonder,
hear our prayer for those who have been overlooked and misunderstood.
Remove barriers in the workplace and the classroom,
in the church and in the community that all may flourish and
find the joys of companionship, through Jesus Christ our Friend. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jill Moffett

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

MUSICAL RESPONSE #2043

Alleluia

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

When I Sing

L A Starkey
Jubilate, ICC

When I sing, the music fills my soul,
When I sing, the music makes me whole.
I'll sing with all my heart
And I'll sing for all my life,
For I feel so alive and free when I sing.
Each note becomes a part of me,

A beautiful, sweet melody.
The song is part of who I am and who I'll always be.
For when I sing, the music fills my soul,
When I sing, the music makes me whole.
I'll sing with all my heart
And I'll sing for all my life,
For I feel so alive and free when I sing.
I feel so alive and free when I sing.

*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

Luke 24:13-35

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Resurrected Minds

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2181

We Need a Faith

*We need a faith so colorblind, so free from timeworn lies,
that when we look from face to face we see the eyes of God.*

*We need an ethic of respect, an honest pledge of trust,
that when we share the deepest things we feel the warmth of God.*

*We need to act as well as speak, to see each other's sweat,
that as we labor side by side we do the work of God.*

*Come, Christians, look for character and not for shade of skin,
that as we rend the walls of race we live the peace of God.*

*THE BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

arr. J. Biery

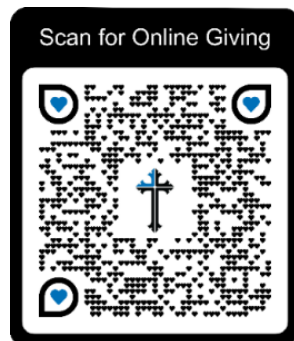
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The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. Albert L. Galloway and in celebration of the beauty of God's creation by the Galloway family.

Upcoming Events:

Earth Day Sunday, April 26

Sound Bath Meditation, April 26, 6pm, Chapel



Today's worship leaders:

Darren Cushman Wood

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Jill Moffett

Pastor of Community Formation

John Hague

Eric Russell

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