



# Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

**CHIMING THE HOUR**

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

*(Children ages 3 yrs. - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to gather on the steps of the altar.) †*

**PRELUDE**.....Samuel Wesley  
*Lead Me, Lord*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**.....Abbi Kilburn

Leader: Arise, people of God, to greet the One who calls us;  
come alive to the Spirit's energy among us.

**PEOPLE: GOD AWAKENS US AND RESTORES OUR SOULS.  
SURELY GOD'S GOODNESS AND MERCY ARE WITH US HERE.**

Leader: The shepherd is calling us to new ventures.  
We are invited to a higher quality of life.

**PEOPLE: WE WILL NOT FEAR TO WALK THROUGH SHADOWED VALLEYS.  
GOD'S LOVE IN CHRIST IS WITH US EVERYWHERE.**

Leader: Come to drink from springs of living waters.  
Gather to find comfort and blessing here.

**UNISON: SURELY GOD WILL GUIDE OUR SEARCH FOR TRUTH.  
WE SEEK ETERNAL VALUES WITHIN OUR DAILY WALKS.**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**.....Braeden Terry

**\*WORSHIP HYMN** *(see screen)*.....Naida Hearn  
*Jesus, Name Above All Names*

**\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Draw us together, Eternal One, from paths of aimless wandering. Lead us today toward the community You intend. Draw the fragments of our lives together into some meaningful whole. Help us deal with present concerns in constructive ways, yet point us beyond ourselves to engage with You in larger issues. Help us feel the hunger and thirst of others; then lead Your church to make a caring response. May Your love fill us and overflow into other lives. We ask these things in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying, "*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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.*" Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**.....CH. 35  
*Glory Be to the Father*

## THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

**FIRST READING** *(pg. 873)*.....John 10:22-30

**ANTHEM**.....Herb Frombach  
*Just Two Words*

**SECOND READING** *(pg. 999)*.....Revelation 7:9-17

**MESSAGE**.....Pastor Mark E. Poindexter

**SILENT MEDITATION**

**MORNING PRAYER**

## THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**

**OFFERTORY**.....David Strasser  
*Step by Step*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Make these moments a feast of dedication to Your purposes among us, loving God. May we serve You night and day, wherever we are, in all we do. Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.**

**GIVE THANKS**.....CH. 528  
*Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

**COMMUNION INVITATION**

**COMMUNION HYMN**.....CH. 393  
*One Bread, One Body*

**PRAYER FOR THE BREAD**.....Mary Redmon

**PRAYER FOR THE CUP**.....Leo Gibbs

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS**.....Gateway Worship  
*O The Blood*

*The Lord's Table is open for all people. Christ has set the table before us. It is by His invitation we are fed. You may eat the bread as it is passed and drink the cup at the conclusion of the Words of Institution.*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE CHURCH GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION**

**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION.....CH. 80**

***My Shepherd, You Supply My Need***

*During the singing of the Hymn of Invitation, we invite anyone wishing to become a Christian or wishing to unite with this congregation, to please come forward.*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

**\*POSTLUDE.....Gaelic Melody**

***Morning Has Broken***

**‡** Children Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children, Worship & Wonder  
Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> attend LIVE BIG!

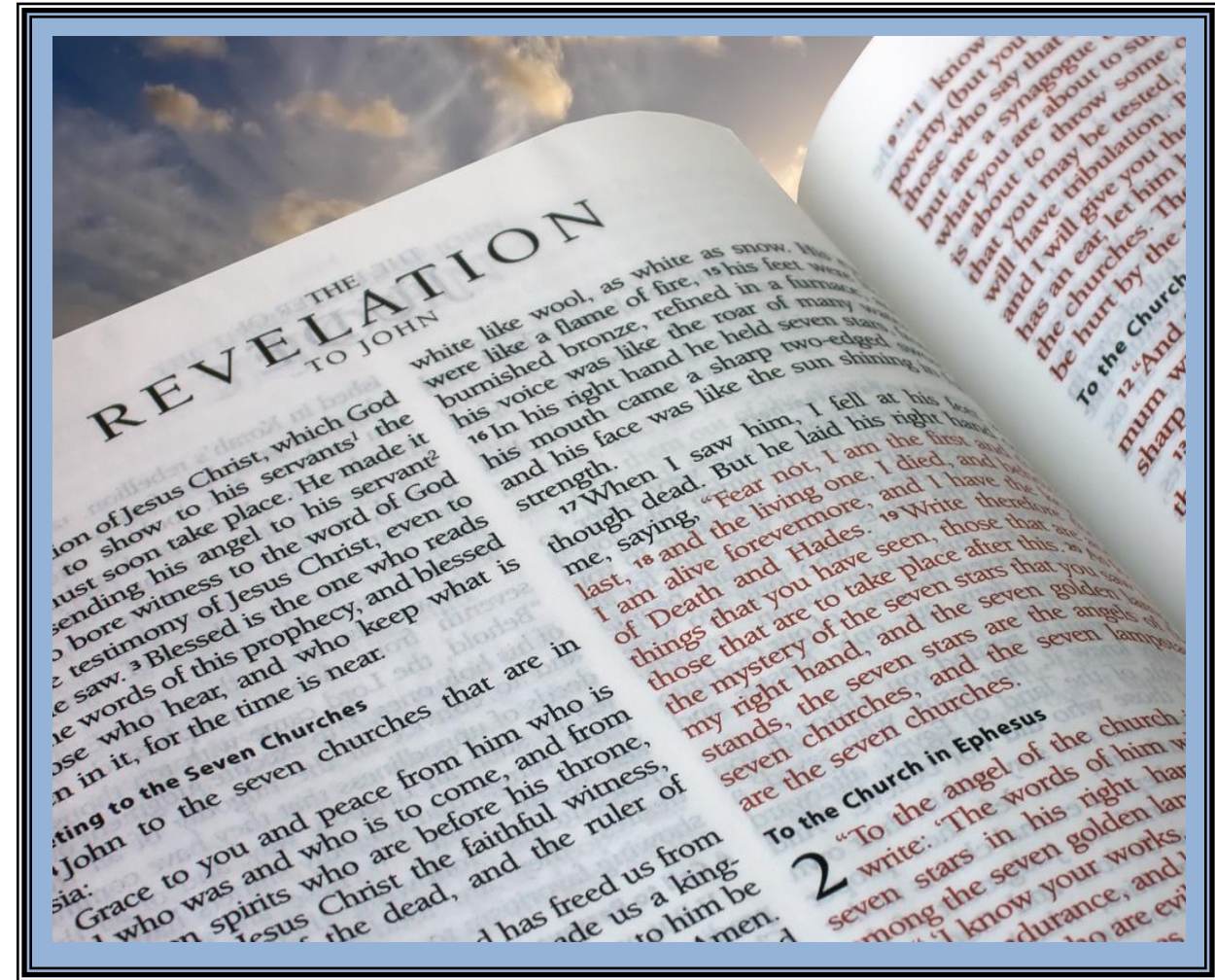
**\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

**DIACONATE SERVING TODAY**

Cindy Wallace, Thomas Thornton, Ivy Kelly, Charles Kelly



*Thank you for worshipping at West Side Christian Church today.  
We hope you received a blessing this morning, and that you will experience God's presence  
in the week ahead. We look forward to seeing you next Sunday!*



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***Kristen Schafer, Music Director***  
***Zach Lowman, Youth Director***



***The Welcome Loaf***

*We offer a homemade loaf of bread to first time visitors as an expression of our appreciation for your presence. Please see a greeter at the door following worship to receive your loaf.*



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