

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30, 2023 – 10:55 A.M.**

\*Please stand as you are able

**ENTRANCE**

**MEDITATIVE MUSIC**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Will Waller

**CHIMING THE HOUR**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY**

*Sinfonia*—Bach

Mrs. Meeks, Organist

**ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

**GREETING**

\***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Steve Angle, Liturgist

L: With great rejoicing, we enter the house of the Lord!

**P: We come to praise the One who is our refuge and our strength.**

L: Lift up your eyes, for God comes to us with compassion and love.

**P: We bring our burdened and broken spirits, seeking God's presence and healing.**

L: Rejoice! For the God who created you comes to redeem you and make you whole.

**P: We joyfully celebrate the Living God, who embraces us with mercy and calls us to new life.**

\***HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

No. 140

\***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Nicene Creed*

No. 880

**INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN**

*Where Children Belong*

TFWS No. 2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.  
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Rev. Waller

*(Afterwards, children in preschool through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may go to Children's Church.)*

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 8:1-11

New Testament pg. 94

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

*Cornerstone: Drop It*

Rev. Waller

*(Please tear off the pew pad attendance sheet and place in the offering plate.)*

**OFFERTORY**

*To God Be the Glory*—Phillips

\***THE DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

No. 94

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!

\***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**ANTHEM**

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*—Wood

Chancel Choir

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**CALL TO PRAYER**

*Open Our Eyes*

TFWS No. 2086

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him,

and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**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.

**SENDING FORTH**

\***CLOSING HYMN**

*Freely, Freely*

No. 389

\***THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

\***BENEDICTION**

\***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Let There Be Peace on Earth*

No. 431

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

\***GOING FORTH**

Rev. Waller

\***POSTLUDE**

Mrs. Meeks

**Serving Today:**

Liturgist: Steve Angle

Greeter: Annette Board

Acolyte: Jovie Angle

Usher: Benny Board

Children's Church: Callie Angle

Nursery: Ina Clements

Counters: Linda Handy, Becky Newbill

**Serving Next Week (May 7):**

Liturgist: Ina Clements

Greeter: Julie McCutchen

Acolyte: Crosby Eitner and Rowan Eitner

Usher: Bill Cooper

Children's Church: Jessica Mitchell

Nursery: Jane Roseberry

Counters: Ina Clements, Cindy Smith

**Prayer Concerns:**

**Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Rodney Cundiff; Bob Huffman; Debbie Caulder; Jack Dillon; Jason Lavinder; Hazel Henderson; Kathleen Higgins; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Anna Campbell; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Dick Shoemaker; Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Maria Bray (Linda Walters); April Wyatt Scott; Dr. Matthew and Amanda Billups (Jack Watts); Don Angle (Steve Angle); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland); and Family of Eleanor Woody who passed away on April 21.**

**Will Waller, Pastor  
Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister  
Jeanne Banks, Pianist  
Valerie Latimer, Administrative Assistant  
Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant  
Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator  
Brad Hodges, Custodian**

### **Meetings and Announcements:**

- **Monday, May 1**      **10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**, United Women in Faith's Mission  
Workday in the Fellowship Hall  
**7:00 p.m.**, Boy Scouts
  
- **Tuesday, May 2**      **7:00 p.m.**, Jubilant Ringers
  
- **Wednesday, May 3**      **5:00 p.m.**, Wonderful Wednesday  
**7:00 p.m.**, Chancel Choir
  
- **Thursday, May 4**      **6:30 p.m.**, Cub Scouts
  
- **Next Sunday, May 7**      **10:00 a.m.**, Small Groups  
**10:55 a.m.**, Worship
  
- **Wednesday, May 10**      **5:00 p.m.**, "It's Just A Phase - So Don't Miss It" Parents' Book  
Discussion
  
- **Sunday, May 14**      **9:00 a.m.**, Mother's Day Breakfast  
**10:55 a.m.**, Worship-Children's Sabbath
  
- **Monday, May 15**      **June/July Newsletter Deadline**
  
- **Sunday, May 21**      **10:55 a.m.**, Worship-Graduate Sunday

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

UWF Mission Workday - Monday, May 1, 10 AM - 2 PM in the fellowship hall. Lunch will be provided. Please bring sharp scissors, white thread, and a sewing machine, if you have any of these items, and bagged or wrapped snacks (energy bars, candy bars, small bags of any kind of chips or pretzels - something the students can pick up from the baskets on their way to or from exams) to add to the goody baskets for Ferrum students.

The United Methodist Men will sponsor their annual Mother's Day breakfast Sunday, May 14 at 9:00 a.m. All mothers and your families are invited to this delicious complimentary breakfast prepared by the men in honor of all mothers on your special day!

The May/June edition of the Upper Room is available on the rack in the narthex.

We are collecting beef stew for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!