

April 8, 2018

*During Worship, we offer a nursery for children under 5.
The nursery is in the northeast hallway of the church. Ask anyone for directions.*

Gathering

Welcome Rev. Laurie Lewis
Prelude Carol Anne Smock

Bringing Forth the Light of Christ

Introduction to Worship Don Barcus

*Call to Worship

WL: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

P: You have set your glory above the heavens,

WL: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have set in place, what are humans that you are mindful of them?

P: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*Hymn *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* 222

*Passing the Peace of Christ

L: May the peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

The Word

Scripture Lesson John 20:19-23 N.T. 109

Sharing the Names on Our Hearts

Lift up the name of someone who needs our prayers.

Prayer Hymn *Because He Lives* 562(refrain only)

Community Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

Scripture Lesson continues John 20:24-31 N.T. 109

L: The Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri 36

Anthem *He's Still the Lamb* by Dave Clark & Russell Mauldin Chancel Choir

Sermon *Doubt Happens*

Hymn *That Easter Day with Joy was Bright* 229 (1,3)

The Lord's Table

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Carol Anne Smock

**Great is Thy Faithfulness* 86(refrain only)

*Prayer of Dedication Dean Cramer

Hymn *I Come With Joy* 420(1,2,4,5)

Invitation to Share in the Feast

*We believe that every person who confesses faith in Jesus Christ,
whether he/she is a member of this congregation or not,
is welcome to join us as we break bread together.*

Words of Institution

L: It was on that night in the Upper Room, Jesus took the bread, he blessed it, and broke it saying,

P: This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

L: Then He took the cup after Supper saying,

P: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Prayer of Blessing Steve Fincher

Going Forth

Invitation to Membership

If you would like to join our church, either by confession of faith prior to Baptism or by transferring your membership from another congregation, please come forward during the hymn and the minister will welcome you.

*Hymn *How Majestic Is Your Name* 63

The Light of Christ leads us out into the World

Postlude Carol Anne Smock

(*Indicates to stand as you are able)

Please join us for coffee and tea in Fellowship Hall

THE SUNDAY EDITION

Welcome! We strive to make the Lord's house a place of joy. With joy, we welcome you and pray that you're filled with hope and happiness as you lift up your heart to God.

DW Project – April 2018

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital of Memphis, TN

No child should die before they enjoy living. No child should have to endure radiation therapy, chemotherapy, and surgery- away from home for weeks, months or longer-away from family and friends-experiencing extreme pain and weakness.

Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL), the most common childhood cancer, afflicts children of all ages. Fifty years ago, only 4% would live. Today, although the St. Jude survival rate is now 80%-sadly, one in five children still lose their hard fought battle. A family loses their precious gift from God. No parent should ever lose a child-life forever changes.

No bill is ever received for treatments, travel, housing, or food; allowing parents to focus all their thoughts and attention on their child. Spirits are raised with each birthday, graduation, and holiday celebration-much love is exchanged.

Our hearts go out to these children and their families. Ongoing research, freely shared around the world, results in improved treatments-but these prove to be very costly. Let us show our love and support by giving generously; thanking God most of us have been spared this heartache.

This is money well spent-I guarantee.

We invite the congregation to join us. Mark your envelope "St. Jude."

Our thanks and love to all of you for caring and giving.



Serving Today (April 8)

Deacons: Sharon Ryan, Marlene Wegner, Peggy Cramer, Jean Reeves

Elders: Steve Fincher, Dean Cramer

Serving Next Week (April 15)

Deacons: Elaine Harris, Dori Howerter, Sandy Womeldroff, Barbara Robbins

Elders: Don & Janie Barcus

We are still in need of hosts for the 66 member choir that will be here from Friends University next Sunday. If you cannot be a host, maybe you could contribute towards the cost of the choir's evening meal. Give your contributions to Dori Howerter, Jewell Reed, or Warren Townsend or let them know if you can host a choir member or two. Thank you for whatever you can do to help.

*If you know of someone graduating this year please call the church office with that information.

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Leaving Safe Places

Doubt Happens

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