Words of Welcome

Welcome to Worship!

As you get ready for Worship this morning, consider this story —
A farmer placed a weather vane inscribed with the words "God is love" on top of his barn.
One day a traveler stopped by the farm and watched the weather vane
moving with the breeze. Then, with a smirk on his face, he asked,
"Do you mean to say that your God is as changeable as the wind?"
The farmer shook his head and replied,

"Nope. What I mean to say is that no matter which way the wind blows, God is love!"



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TELEWORSHIP

Teleworship allows a person to dial a phone number remotely and listen to the worship service as it occurs.

Here's how it works:

- Call 623-777-3306 during the 9:30 am service.
- When prompted, enter extension 930 and wait for the prompt.
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Living and Sharing The Faith We Profess April 14, 2024

SUNDAY, April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE "Dawn's Praise From Three Watercolors" Cathy Murray

"Majesty"

WELCOME Pastor Kathleen

ANNOUNCEMENTS Gail Clausen

*CALL TO WORSHIP (The People's part is in Bold.)

Leader: God's love, strong and true,

All: Beckons us to walk on with hope in each step,

Lures us home, to the place just right.

Leader: God's love, everlasting and bold,

All: Sustains us when fear closes in and worry overwhelms,

Surprises us with glimpses of wonder and bursts of joy.

Leader: God's love, gentle yet persistent,

All: Graces us with rest in the midst of busyness,

Hounds us to follow the good path.

Leader: God's love, abundant and uplifting,

All: Dances around us like waves on the shore.

Dwells in us as a song steeped in praise.

Leader: God's love, forever leading us to sing and pray, serve and praise. Amen!

All: Alleluia! Amen!

*OPENING HYMN "Gather Us In" #2236 TFWS

THE PEOPLE AT PRAYER

Prayer Together (Let us pray together.)

God of light and source of beauty, you are the one to brighten our darkness.

You give us the rainbow after the storm and the daffodil to cheer our morning.

God of light, kindle a flame in us. Let us be expressions

of your love and instruments of your peace.

Source of beauty, awaken in us that holy space

that knows wonder, awe and amazement.

God of light and source of beauty, we are shy in your presence,

undeserving of your favor. Yet you love and care for us.

You lavish grace upon us beyond measure, overflowing every expectation.

We come before you and rise to praise you. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Because He Lives"

Dick Budke

TIME OF THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY "O Jesus I Have Promised"

Cathy Murray

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

#95

BLESSING THE OFFERING

Pastor Kathleen

SCRIPTURE

1 John 4:7-21 Luke 24:36-48

Gale Clausen

Leader:

This is the Word of God for the people of God

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN "Christ Is Alive" #318

MESSAGE

"A Whole New Ballgame"

Pastor Kathleen Puntar

PASTOR'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN

"We Know That Christ Is Raised"

#610

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION

"Pass It On"

#572

(verse 1)

*POSTLUDE

"Song of Praise"

Cathy Murray

*Please stand if you are able.