



A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

John 20:26-27

April 19, 2009 - 10:30 A.M.

Welcome to worship!

Worship is the activity of all God's people.

We invite you to join in the singing of songs and responding as indicated in your bulletin.

Please sign the fellowship pads during the worship service.

GATHERING TIME

SONG *Open the Eyes of My Heart* Choose Christ 40

SONG *God of Wonders* Choose Christ 2

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God,

C: in raising Jesus from the tomb, you destroyed the power of sin and death. Hear us as we confess our failure to live the good news of the resurrection. Grant us the radiant power of your grace. Forgive us, heal us, and renew us, so that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

P: In great mercy God has given you a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SONG *Breathe* Choose Christ 22

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We love you, Lord, because you hear us when we pray.

C: Even in distress, anguish, or death you hear our cries to save us.

P: You are gracious and filled with mercy.

C: You preserve us and save us.

P: You deliver us from death and dry the tears from our eyes.

C: When we walk in your ways, you keep our feet from stumbling.

SONG *Draw Me Close*

Draw me close to You
Never let me go
I lay it all down again
To hear You say
That I'm Your friend

You are my desire
No one else will do
'Cause nothing else
Could take Your place
To feel the warmth
Of Your embrace
Help me find the way
Bring me back to You

Refrain

You're all I want
You're all I've ever needed
You're all I want
Help me know You are near.

PSALM

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PRAYER

See insert

HEAR THE WORD

READING: Acts 4:32-35

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG

Awesome God

Worship & Praise 13

Our God is an awesome God,
He reigns from heaven above with wisdom,
Pow'r, and love-Our God is an awesome God!
Our God is an awesome God!
Our God is an awesome God!

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PRAYERS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Come and See

Senior Choir

OFFERING SONG:

All That We Have

Worship & Praise 5

*All that we have and all that we offer
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now and give what we need,
All done in your name.*

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COME TO THE MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts,
C: We lift them to the Lord!
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
P: Lord, you deserve our thanks and praise in every moment. But in this moment we especially thank you for sending your Son to die and for raising him from death. Therefore, we join your people in heaven and on earth praising you and singing:

SONG: *Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.
(repeat)*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we
forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the
glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SONG: *Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name;
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name. (repeat)*

BLESSING

- P: The body and blood of Christ strengthen you in faith and guide you in the way of love for God and one another.
C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- P: Let us pray:
C: We have tasted your goodness, O God, in your gifts of Word and Sacrament. May our hearts burn within us, that we may proclaim your mighty acts and joyfully live as your chosen people; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SENDING TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

- P: Go and be guided by the unseen hand of God. Go and live in the truth that Christ's resurrection matters. Go and serve others as broken bread for a hungry world through the power of the Holy Spirit. Go in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SONG

Get Up, Get Up
Get up and tell the world.
Get up, get up!
Some people haven't heard that Jesus paid the price
So we could have eternal life, Get up, get up!
Get up and tell the world.
(Repeat once)

Get up, get up!
Get up and tell the world.

DISMISSAL

- P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

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