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April 24, 2022 Worship

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Just a few notes to keep in mind:

- ◆ We are singing in person together again! So come, and sing boldly!
- ◆ The session made the decision to keep masking for worship, and masks optional for all other activities in the church building.

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**Prelude**

**Welcome/Announcements** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Call to Worship** (Billy Boucheu)

One: "Peace be with you"

the risen Christ said three times to his disciples.

**All: We gather together**

**In the name of the risen Christ.**

One: "My Lord and my God!"

as Thomas said to the risen Christ.

**All: We gather together**

**in the name of the Lord our God.**

**Song** Celebrate Jesus CCLI # 16859

**Reading** Merry Close (online)

**Assurance of Grace** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Song** Be Thou My Vision Purple #450 vs 1 & 4 CCLI # 7056332

**Prayer of Illumination** (Billy Boucheu)

**Scripture** John 20: 19-31 Merry Close (online)

**Children's sermon** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Sermon** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Song** Great is Thy Faithfulness Purple #39 vs 1 & 3 CCLI # 18723

## **Call To Offering**

**Offertory** Thy Word Purple #458 CCLI # 14301

## **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;  
praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise triune God whom we adore. Amen

## **Prayers of the People:**

All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Closing Song** Holy, Holy, Holy Purple #1 vs 1 & 4 CCLI # 1156

**Charge and Benediction:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

# **Announcements**

**At the April 11, 2022 session meeting, Session made the decision to go masks optional for all activities in the church building, including worship!**

**Attention Members:** We will have an abbreviated Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, May 15.

## **News from the Christian Education Committee:**

Children's Sunday School classes meet 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. There will be a PreK - 2nd grade class and a 3rd-5th grade class. We will bring the children back to the sanctuary for the Children's sermon at 10:15 and then the children can sit with their parents during the rest of the service.

Teachers: April 24 – Monique, May 1 – Ryan, May 8 (open), May 15 – Karen, May 22 – Ryan

“Embracing Emergence” Adult Class resumes today, April 24 for the three final sessions. The class meets at 11:00 in the conference Room and is available remotely through Zoom.

Note: it may be challenging for new people to join the class

at this point. For more information, contact Steve Braden at [revsbb91@gmail.com](mailto:revsbb91@gmail.com).

**M&M meets Wednesdays meets one more Wednesday for this season (April 27th)**

- 4:30 to 6 pm for K-5th grade
- 6:30 to 7:30 pm for 6th through high school
- Meal for all ages at 6 pm

Join us through Zoom at Meet in the Middle Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6124529465>

We will be having a youth group fundraising **Cabaret on May 7**. See a youth group member for tickets! Auction will run **online only** 4/30/22 at 12pm thru 5/7/22 at 6pm. Contact Becky Brandt with donation offers or questions: [thebrandtfam@gmail.com](mailto:thebrandtfam@gmail.com) or 218-779-0427.

Are you creative? Enjoy a little competition? Maybe you would enjoy participating in the **T shirt design contest for the South of the River CROP Hunger Walk**. Pick up an information brochure in the foyer and learn all about it.

**Membership Class:** Pastor Rob is leading the New Member class that meets at 11:15am on Sundays, May 1 and 8, here at the church. The class will be offered in person (but available online for those unable to attend in person). We'll be receiving the new members in worship on Sunday, May 15. Please RSVP to the church office at [spirit@spiritoflifeav.org](mailto:spirit@spiritoflifeav.org) so we may be prepared for you to participate!

From Community Service: It's time for an **outdoor clean-up** — clearing out the flower beds and picking up sticks and branches, so a great family activity! The date is Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary with your name and email or cell phone number, so you can be notified of any change in plans due to weather. It would also be helpful to know how many people to expect, so work projects can be planned accordingly. You can also email Denise Lewis directly, if you want to participate: [dlewis9476@comcast.net](mailto:dlewis9476@comcast.net).

**GriefShare Program Thursdays at 6:30 pm**, at Spirit of Life Church

This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-

life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Past participants have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussions were to them. Many grieving people find they are only beginning the work of healing when friends or family have returned to their daily life routines.

Too often people, including Christians, tend to bury their grief instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it is intended. Don't allow fear of what others may think to keep you from what could help you. Confidentiality is very much a part of this program.

Please contact Bob Shepard or Jacqui Hicks for more information or to sign up.

**Coffee and Conversation Mondays, from 9:20 am to 11:00 am.**

Great opportunity to meet with Pastor Rob and others. Come as you are. This is a gathering online and in person. It is open for you to pop in and out any time so feel free to drop in and say hello. \*Note, same time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>

From Community Service: Keep in mind the Little Free Food Pantry (located at the entrance of the driveway) Please consider donating: canned, bottled, boxed, or dried foodstuffs, dried beans, rice, oatmeal, cereal, etc. And, remember the motto of the Little Free Food Pantry movement: *Take what you need, leave what you can.*

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