

**The Order
Of
Divine Worship**

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The Third Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2012

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE (Please register your attendance.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE HYMN "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" No. 702

* THE ACT OF PRAISE

Sing praises to God, O you saints of God.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

Praise God for the joyous gift of a new day.

Thank God for healing and ever present help.

Extol the one who lifts us up from defeat.

Praise the one who upholds us when we are discouraged.

God sees and hears our weeping.

God lifts our souls from the pit of despair.

Give thanks to God who turns mourning into dancing.

Praise God who hears our cries and answers our prayers.

We have cried to you in our need, O God.

We believe you are working to make us whole.

OPENING PRAYER

Come to us as a light from heaven, Sovereign God. Pierce the shadows of doubt and despair, anger and scorn, that we allow to rule in our lives. Turn us from ways that deny your rule among us. Awaken us from dull routines to worship that is alive with awe and wonder, spontaneity, and joy. Surprise us with a presence we cannot avoid, a summons we dare not evade, a mission we may not escape. We are gathered by the love of Christ, that we may feed others as we have been fed. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 102:1-8, 16-24

SPECIAL MUSIC "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

GREETING

(Please place your prayer cards in the baskets at this time.)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE REFRAIN "Jesus, We Are Here" No. 2273 (FWS)

+ Personal prayers

+ Prayers for others

+ 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.

THE REFRAIN "As the Deer" No. 2025 (FWS)

THE MESSAGE The Rev. Anthony N. Cutting
"Only the Lonely"

THE HYMN "Come, Ye Disconsolate" No. 510

THE PRAYER

GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

* THE DOXOLOGY No.94 (UMH)

* THE HYMN "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" No. 664

* BENEDICTION

SERVING THE LORD

Liturgist: Ira Thumma
Ushers: Dennis & Jan Blevins, Curt & Beth Moe
Greeters: Luella Glesner, Carolyn Maynard
Counters: Leonard & Lois McJames, Ruth Sutton
Trustee for April: Becky Bastuk (back-up Gary Boots)
Coffee Hour April 22: Phyllis, Dave & Ruth Sutton

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 20 Estol & Betty Swem 64 Years

April 22 Leonard McJames

April 26 Mildred Snow

April 27 Cassidy McJames



*Altar flowers are given by
Gary & Brenda Boots in
Memory of Ida Jean Boots,
Honor of John Boots,
Memory of Ted Snow,
Honor of Mildred Snow*

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