

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

Luke 24:36



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***Meet with us online or via phone at 10 am:
Look under “Updates” on our site to join online
or call 312-626-6799 and when prompted.
enter the Meeting ID: 942 617 477 (followed by #).
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Liturgy from Thom M. Shuman: lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com

Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

One: When fear and doubts stroll through our doors:

Many: God stands beside us, whispering of peace.

One: When we toss and turn late at night:

Many: God sits by our beds, singing lullabies of love.

One: When we stumble through the shadows of sin:

Many: God illuminates the paths of goodness and joy.

Hymn #267 ***"All Things Bright and Beautiful"***

Prayer of Confession

God of empty tombs: Peter speaks with power and clarity of his faith, while we remain silent. The psalmist speaks of trusting in you, while our doubts overwhelm us. Jesus is read to come and grace us with peace, but our fears keep our hearts shuttered and locked.

God of full hearts: your love can change us from scared people to children of grace. You can weed doubts from our hearts and plant seeds of joy in their place. You can silence the panic of our souls with the peace Jesus offers to each of us. Transform us into Easter people, through the power of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response ***"Gloria Patri"***

Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

Many: and also, with you.

One: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

Prayer of Illumination

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.

Scripture: (OT) Psalm 148
 (NT) John 1:1-5

Sermon: Barbara Bowyer, Commissioned Pastor

Hymn #272 ***"God of the Sparrow"***

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Checks may be mailed to the church or donate online.

Response of Praise *“Doxology”*

Prayer of Dedication:

What will be done with the gifts we offer in these moments has not been revealed to us, Holy God, but knowing you through Jesus, and trusting in you by the power of the Holy Spirit, we do know they will be used to bring hope, to bring healing, to bring justice to all those people and places who long for these blessings. And so we offer these gifts with gratitude to you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Hymn #288 **“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”**

Charge and Benediction