Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Linda Amstuz, Libby Williams, Nadine Fahrlander, Virginia Madsen, Fred Will, Denny Lange and Marjorie Hultquist. Happy Birthday to Cade Harsin, Lyra Johnson, Lilly Cohen, Wade Lux, Jeanette Wilkinson, Savannah Kahle, Norma Rasmussen, and Ethel White.



Happy Anniversary to Jeff & Tami Hanson—28 years.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer

"Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH#94

Offertory Prayer

O Christ who reigns among us, make these gifts be a part of your realm on earth. Bless them and send them through us, your channels of peace and care, to those who are in special need. Keep us in covenant with you in our giving, we pray. Amen.

Closing Song "Forever"

Benediction

Go now as God's chosen witnesses to testify that Christ has been raised and that we are raised with him. Do not look for him among the dead, but be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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Vision for 2021:

Overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace, as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Romans 15:13 NIV)

3rd Sunday of Easter Order of Worship April 18, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

- 1. Please put your names on either YouTube or Facebook. If you have celebrations and concerns, please share with us on either one.
- 2. There will be Movie Night at 7:00 pm, April 21, Wednesday. The movie, MINARI, is about the story of Korean American Immigration to a rural area of Arkansas in search of their own American Dream. It scored six Oscar nominations this year. It is FREE!
- 3. We have many types of cards at the entrance of the sanctuary. Each card is only one dollar.
- 4. Last week we received offerings of \$2,000. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.
- 5. If you would like to use a hymnal please grab one and bring it in with you and leave it in the pew when service is over.

Call to Worship

- L: We are called to be God's children.
- P: God's love has been poured on us through Jesus Christ!
- L: Fear and doubt are gone!
- P: Joy and Celebration ring in our hearts!
- L: Come, let us raise our voices in song!
- P: Let us offer our hearts and souls to God in prayer and praise. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Lord of Light and Mercy, be with us this day as we again hear the stories of faith and sight. Help us to believe in your abiding presence with us, both in our darkness and in the light, which you bring. Give us courage and strength to witness to your resurrection. For we offer this in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

Silent Prayer

Opening Song "How Great is Our God"

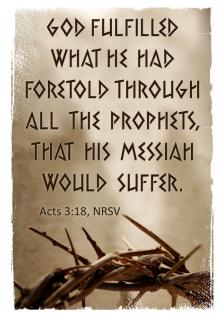
Children's Message

Pastor Peter Choi

Scriptures Acts 3:12-19 (NIV) Lori Conyers

When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. By faith in the name of

Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see. "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.



Luke 24:36-48 (NIV)

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a

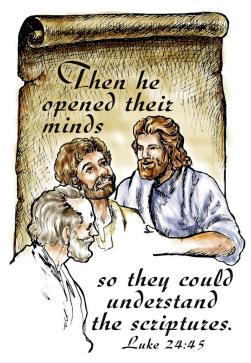
piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence.

He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.



Message
"Seeing the Unseen!"
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