

Message
“Don’t Be Hid in the House!”
Dawn Moyer

Joys and Concerns

Happy Birthday to Libby Williams, Lyra Johnson, and Jeanette Wilkinson.

Prayer List: Angela, Marjorie Hultquist, Larry Anderson, Fred Will, Merlin Beahm and Kent Verbeck.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Music

“Doxology “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Offertory Prayer


In our songs and in our words, we give praise to you, Lord. In our worship, study, and service, we bless you. Loving God, you breathe life into our mortal bodies; you complete us and fill our every need. For all that you have done, for all that you have given to us, we worship you. Beautiful savior, with all that we are, and with all that we have, we offer you our thanks and praise. Amen.

Closing Song “Hope of the Nations” #13

Benediction

Let the trumpet sound! Let the voices be raised in celebration! Go into God’s world with joy, knowing that God’s love goes with you. Be at peace! AMEN.

Sending Forth



United Methodist Church
Minden, Nebraska
2nd Sunday of Easter
10:00 a.m.
April 16, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

1. There will be No Bible study and Confirmation class this week since Pastor Peter is visiting South Korea to celebrate his father’s retirement.
2. The clip boards are in the back if you want to volunteer for scripture reader, usher and greeter, or refreshment Host.
3. Join us for socializing and refreshments in room 300 following worship.
4. Last week we received offerings of \$4,074. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: Happy Easter Season! Today is the first day of the week.

P: The joy of Easter still sings in our hearts.

L: Breathe the breath of new life in your spirits!

P: We open our hearts to all the wondrous work God has for us to do.

L: Welcome to worship this glorious day!

P: Let our lives be testimony to God's redeeming love! AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Breathe the breath of new life into us, O Lord, that we may fully feel the power of your love and the awesome glory of the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. Prepare us to receive your blessing and then to go from this place to be a blessing to others in your name. AMEN.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Opening Songs **"Arise" #3**
 "Forever" #8

Passing the Peace of Christ

Apostle Creed (Ecumenical Version) UMH#882

Scripture

Mike Boudreau

John 20:19-30 (NIV)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God.