

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 7, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good morning! We wish God's grace and peace to you as we worship this morning. During the welcome, please sign the registration pads. If you are a first time visitor, we welcome you this morning and pray you have a meaningful worship time with us. (CCLI 1765953)

WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

Ministers – The Congregation
Pastor – Mark Chow

GATHERING FOR CELEBRATION

GATHERING MUSIC

Tony Merry

GREETING / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Mark

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

PRELUDE

“The Holy Supper”

G. Young

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Cassie Burris

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*HYMN OF PRAISE 128 “He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”

*OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*RESPONSIVE READING 754 Psalm 23 [response 2 at the 'R']

(As the children come forward and depart the sanctuary, the congregation may sing “Lord of the Dance” - 261 – refrain)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Cindy Lawyer

(Children will go downstairs for KidsOwnWorship)

CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE John 10:1-10

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

THE VOICE

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Tony Merry

CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

INVITATION / CONFESSION AND PARDON 12

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord”

F. Mendelssohn / arr. Dash

Grace Chancel Choir

CELEBRATION THROUGH THE SACRAMENT

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 13-15

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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(The Sacrament of Communion will be received by intinction this morning. You may come down the center aisles and receive a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat by the outside aisles. For those wishing to receive the elements in the pews, simply remain seated and the communion stewards will come to you.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

*CLOSING HYMN 381

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION 672

“God Be with You till We Meet Again”

[vs. 1]

POSTLUDE

“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”

J. Pachelbel

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*Please stand if you are able.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are dedicated to Pastor Mark & Nancy Chow.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 21

Worship – 38, 75

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 7 Genevieve Tyson

May 8 Alex McCann, Anna McCann

May 9 Michael Funk, Bob Paap, June Straker

May 10 Larry Jones, Linda Jones Biddle, Debra Moore

May 11 Jayme Schumacher, Jean Shurtz, Cris Sidwell

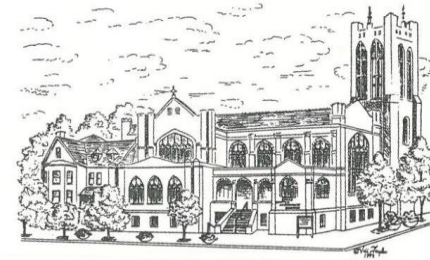
May 13 Scott Johnston

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, May 7		
Monday, May 8	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, May 9	6:00 p.m.	Outreach Comm. – Classroom
	7:00 p.m.	Yoga – Third Floor
Wednesday, May 10	NO	Chancel Choir
Thursday, May 11	7:30 p.m.	Administrative Board – Classroom
Friday, May 12	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
Saturday, May 13		
Sunday, May 14	8:15 a.m.	Early Service – Fellowship Hall
	9:00-10:15	Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
	9:15-10:15	Sunday School – all ages
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

VISION STATEMENT for Grace Church

GRACE WILL Gather to worship God — Grow spiritually — Go serve and make disciples

Thanks to our worship leaders this morning:

Hospitality Team – Dana & Cindi Swope, Jim & Pat Burkhart

Elevator Attendants – Doug & Carla Waltman

Pianist/Organist – Tony Merry

Liturgist – Cassie Burris

Communion Servers – Janet Hill, Doug & Carla Waltman, Pastor & Nancy Chow,
Maryanna Fenton, Mary Mason

Children's Moment – Cindy Lawyer

Children's Ministry – Julie McAllister, Cindy Lawyer, Sarah Burris

Sound Technician – Craig Hill

NEXT SUNDAY – May 14 — Festival of the Christian Home / Mother's Day

Sunday, May 21 Graduation Sunday – Recognition of High School Graduates

Sunday, May 21 Operation Feed Pancake Breakfast — 10:00 a.m.-2:00 — at Christ's Table
[28 S. 6th St.] – \$5 each [pancakes – meats – beverages]

Sunday, May 28 Memorial Day Weekend

May 7, 2017

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

Today is the fourth Sunday in the Season of Eastertide. During this Holy Season, we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and learn from His post resurrection appearances. This morning we will consider how He makes His presence known to His followers.

8:15 a.m. Worship Celebration

Thanks to Tony Merry and our praise team for leading us in worship.

Gathering for Celebration

Welcome and announcements

Celebration Through Praise

Celebration Through God's Word

Scripture – John 10:1-10

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message – *The Voice* — Pastor Mark Chow

Christian Witness — Tony Merry

Celebration Through Our Gifts

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Going Forth to Celebrate

Closing Prayer