

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 20, 2008 10:00 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### PREPARATION

“ Almighty God, we remember that our Lord Jesus Christ prayed that all of his followers might be one. As we worship you today, make us mindful of our brothers and sisters everywhere. Keep us from the temptation to think that we have a franchise on the truth and that our way is the only way. Stir up true brotherly love for one another that we may indeed fulfill the prayer of our blessed Lord.”

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Please sign the friendship pad located at the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)

### PRELUDE

*Awake, My Soul, And With The Sun*

*-Hanson*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Listen to the call of the birds,

**All: Hear them greet the morning,**

Leader: Singing songs of praise.

**All: Feel the warmth of the sun,**

Leader: The blessings of a loving God,

**All: The gift of life.**

Leader: Sense the wonder of springtime,

**All: Everything coming alive**

Leader: All around us and within us.

**All: God is still creating, and our voices are lifted in praise.**

**\*HYMN** 2028 *Clap Your Hands* followed by 2088 *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (all together)

**God of new life, we are not blind to the glory of our creation. We are thankful that the frozen ground is thawing and breaking up, yielding the color of grass and fresh flowers. We are delighted to hear the birds**

*continued*

\*All who are able may stand

singing again, and to see buds forming on the trees.

God of new life, too often we take the created world for granted. We have assumed that these blessings are gifts only to be received, rather than nurtured and cultivated. We have politicized the issue of creation. Global warming, acid rain, the pollution of our air and the condition of our forests are regarded as political, rather than theological, issues.

God of new life, help us to abandon politics and act as good stewards of the treasures you have entrusted to us and our children. Amen.

#### **SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*RESPONSE**            576    *Gloria, Gloria*

#### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to one another)

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**            *"The Cornerstone"*

*(Any children 3yrs –4<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for church school)*

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING:**            Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16

**SECOND READING:**        1 Peter 2:2-10

**SERMON**            *"The Living Stone Syndrome"*            -Elder Richard G. Petersen

**\*HYMN**                    107 *Celebrate with Joy and Singing* vs. 1 & 3

#### **THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (all together)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**



## SUNDAY NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome all who** worship here this morning. Please join us for coffee after the worship service.

**Large print copies** of the Order of Worship, The Hymnal and the NRSV Bible are available at the back of the church.

**Phonic Ear hearing assistance** program is available. Please see an usher for more details.

**Prayer Request Cards**, located, in your pew, are for any prayer requests you wish included in the Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer request, please annotate your request on the back of the card, then pass it to the end of the pew (whichever end is closer to you) for collection by the usher during the opening hymn. Please do not place the card in the offering plate, as the card suggests. "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6*

### CHILD CARE

**Infant/Toddler Nursery Care** during worship is provided for your children.

### CALENDAR

Today	- April 20	10:00 a.m.	Worship Elder, Richard Petersen preaching
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time
Wed.	- April 23	7:00 p.m.	Worship & Music meeting
Sun.	- April 27	10:00 a.m.	Worship Elder, Richard Petersen preaching
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time

#### **Attendance for April 13<sup>th</sup>**

Adult – 35 Children - 10

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Members of our congregation

Bruce Barrows ♦ Dick Fischer ♦ Nancy Hay ♦ Sue Maciejewski ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert

### Family & Friends of our congregation

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Claudette Bapst (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta (Janice Jones) ♦ Steve Dalin (Karen Dalin) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Lorraine Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Cathy Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed & Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ Carolyn Halley (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Esther Hiller (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Garrett Kensy (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Ben Klinshaw (Rita Hanna) ♦ Marguerite Kobel (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek (Marge Christmann) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Steve Milley (Leanne Wurl) ♦ Josh Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ Sandy Northem ♦ Mary Orofino (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Christopher Rutski (The Fischers) ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue Maciejewski) ♦ Patrick Weir (Sandy Pakenham)

### Service Men & Women

Chris Kalinowski ☉ Matthew Jones ☉ Patrick Baskerville ☉ Sammy Russo ☉ Kimberly Trudeau ☉ Steve Odebralski ☉ Jason Zimmerman ☉ Andrew Zalikowski ☉ Nick Turvey ☉ Kristen Pelc ☉ Ben Schauss ☉ Phillip Schott ☉ Josh Winkler ☉ Russell Molnar ☉ Pat McCullough ☉ Ryan M. Ratigan ☉ Larry Lloyd ☉ Joshua Feldman ☉ Dan Dudziak ☉ David Ferg ☉ Zachery Goggins ☉ Alison Lankes ☉ Erik Brown ☉ Rob Weiner

Each week we invite you to hold in your prayers different families and individuals in our church. As an act of faithfulness we pray for each other. This week we pray for:  
Tina Bender    The Goggins family    The Messoro family    Helen Sommer