

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 27, 2008 10:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

PREPARATION Loving God, we gather as your people, hungry for your word, longing for your touch, seeking your warm embrace. Breathe new life into our lives this day. Touch us and heal our brokenness. Fill our hearts with compassion and mercy. Empower us anew to be your witnesses in all the world.

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 *Hyfrydol (Love Divine)* -Ritter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: If there is a ringing bell,

All: We listen.

Leader: If there is a candle in the dark,

All: We look.

Leader: If there is a hunger in the heart,

All: We search.

Leader: God is always trying to get our attention,

All: Always seeking to draw close to us.

Leader: Listen -

All: Hidden in word and silence is the voice of God.

Leader: Look -

All: In every flower, child, tree is the face of God.

Leader: Here and now,

All: God is present.

Leader: In our songs and prayers,

All: Christ is alive.

***HYMN** 2171 *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

CALL TO CONFESSION

*All who are able may stand

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all together)

Compassionate God, grant please that our time of worship will inspire us to leave this place as peacemakers and joy givers. For the times when our gaze was so fixed upon you that we failed to see the needs all around us, forgive us. For having our heads in the clouds when Jesus was there right beside us, forgive us. For being insensitive and abrupt with a friend or stranger when they had come for help, forgive us. Amen

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

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

"We Are Blessed"

(Any children 3yrs –4th grade may leave for church school)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Psalm 66: 8-20

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3: 13-22

SERMON *"Have Hope"* - Elder Richard G. Petersen

***HYMN** 383 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

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 27	10:00 a.m.	Worship Elder Richard Petersen preaching
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time
Sun.	- May 4	10:00 a.m.	Worship Rev. Dr. Lance Brown preaching Worship w/ Communion
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time

Attendance for April 20th

Adult – 39 Children - 6

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) ♦ Elizabeth Shaffer (George Shaffer) ♦ 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:

Bob & Joann Bengert Judy Gray Tim & Robin Miller Wendy Warren