

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 15, 2018

9:30 A.M.

(Entering the sanctuary, our hearts become softened before the Lord through our quiet reflections.)

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Jason Turner

PRELUDE

This is the Day

Donna Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Seyller

Leader: O God, be gracious to me and hear my prayer.

People: Know that God has set us apart and hears us when we call.

Leader: O God, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.

People: O God, be gracious to us and hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us worship God!

People: Let us worship God!

†OPENING HYMN

Thine Be the Glory

Hymn 308

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Linda Seyller

Author of Life, you have given us our breath to praise you, our eyes to behold your mercy, and our words to proclaim your abiding love. You have set apart a people to worship you in thought, word, and deed, and through Christ, you have numbered us in the midst of them. We sleep with the assurance that you will never forsake us; and we awaken each day to the glory of your goodness. Breathe upon us the promised Holy Spirit, so that our minds may be opened to your wisdom and our tongues may boldly declare that you alone are God. Amen.

Prayer Response:

He Is Able

On the wall

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *God Hath Spoken by the Prophets* Hymn 108

SCRIPTURE READING: Old Testament: Ecclesiastes: 3:1-14 Linda Seyller

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Lift Up the Cross

Chancel Choir

MESSAGE

“Seasons of Life & Faith”

Rev. Jason Turner

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Bells Are Ringing

Arturo Rodriguez/Piano

†Doxology

On the wall

†Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Jason Turner

Giver of eternal gladness, you are the Fountain of Life from whom all blessings endlessly flow. All that we have is a gift of your love. Accept now these offerings of thanksgiving. They are symbols of our grateful response to Christ's sacrifice for us. Use our gifts to spread the good news of repentance and forgiveness of sins. Let them bring times of refreshment and joy as a result of Christ's presence. Amen.

†CLOSING HYMN

And Can It Be that I Should Gain

Hymn 363

(verses 1, 3, and 5)

†BENEDICTION

Alleluia

All are invited to sing this praise to God.

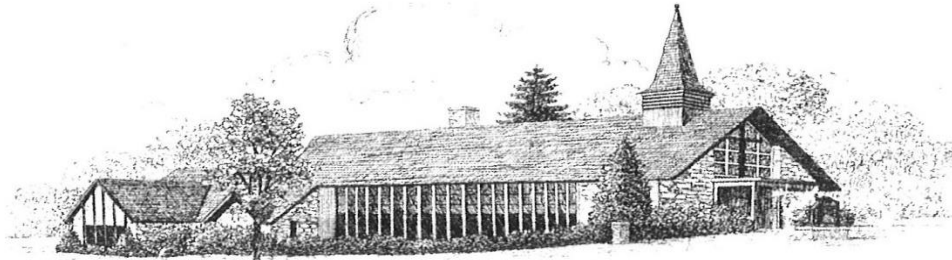
POSTLUDE

Sortie

Donna Bach

† Those who are able are requested to stand.

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Vision:

Living in the light of God's love and following Christ, we joyfully embrace the future as a welcoming multi-cultural church. We gather for worship, learning, spiritual growth and fellowship. We go out to serve, sharing the light of Christ by promoting justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.

(Adopted by the Wesley Church Council, April 14, 2013)

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:30 A.M. Worship

Fellowship Time Following

Sunday School 11:00A.M. - Spanish Service 11:30 A.M.

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Church Staff

Omaira Mora – Pastor of Fe y Esperanza

Nereyda SanchezTio – Music Director

Donna Bach – Organist

Erika Bringas & Santos Ortiz – Worship Multimedia

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