
As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ

who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE "Christ Ist Erstanden" – Fischer

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 28

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, for He has heard

the sound of my pleadings.

People: The Lord is my strength and my shield;

in Him my heart trusts.

Leader: So I am helped, and my heart exults.

People: And with my song I give thanks to Him.

*HYMN "Christ Is Alive!" No. 108

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God of all eternity, You provide us with constant reminders of Your grace and faithfulness. We see the beginning of spring and are reminded of Your forgiveness that gives us new life. We read Your Scripture and see the visions You give Your people, and we rejoice that You call us Your children. But in this Easter season we also turn our back on Your promises and deny Your provision. Forgive us for missing Your hope for our lives and lead us again to a healing life. Through His name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Carol McComsey

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:7-10 (NT p103)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 28:10-17 (OT p25)

SERMON GENESIS SERIES Rev. Robert Bronkema

"I Am the Gate"

*HYMN "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Jubilate, Sing Joyfully!" – Perry Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN "Lift High the Cross" No. 371

*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*POSTLUDE "Christ Ist Erstanden" - Bach

NEXT **W**EEK

James 1:19-21 Genesis 29:15-30 "Lean Back and Kick Forward"

11:00am

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*Praise & Worship Cornerstone Our God Cast My Cares
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Children's Message: Carol McComsey
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Sermon "I Am the Gate"
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*Benediction
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