

and guests sign the pew pads as they are passed down the aisle.

***Call to Celebration**

Brady Bartell

Leader: We come together to offer thanks to our God,

People: We come to seek after God's ways

Leader: We come to be forgiven and to forgive.

People: We come to be a community formed in God's love.

***Hymn of Celebration**

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

No. 651

Call to Confession

Brady Bartell

Silent Meditation and Personal Confession

During this time of inward reflection and repentance, you may want to use "Examen," which simply means an examining of our lives in a prayerful way. It is different from a prayer of confession in that it reviews both the good and the bad of our lives. You pause to look back over your week, or as many days as you wish to examine, and notice where you have partnered with God. In other words, when were you trying to do it alone and when did you ask God to assist you? You can also remember the events, encounters or insights that felt like gifts from God and those that did not. Or remember the times in the day when you gave and received love, and when you did not give or receive love. Once your days are reviewed and examined, you may journal what you have uncovered, or simply imagine offering your insight up to God to let God love you just as you are.

***Words of Assurance**

***Gloria Patri**

("Glory Be to the Father" No. 9 in *Sing to the Lord*)

Children's Time

(Children may exit after for Children's Choir)

Piano Solo

"Were You There When They Crucified My Lord" arr.by Gail Smith

Pianist: Tom Davis

Morning Prayer *(using debts and debtors)*

With so grand a prize as the upward call in Jesus Christ before us, how can we cling to what is behind us? Deliver us from nostalgic fascinations which were never more than pious fashions. Lead us beyond outworn patterns of discipleship. Teach us the things that make for peace!

Silence

Shake us out of our routine to receive the new things You are doing in our midst.

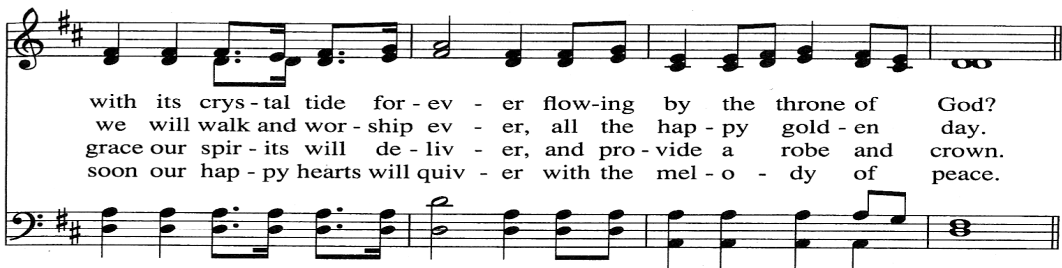
Hymn

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Lowry

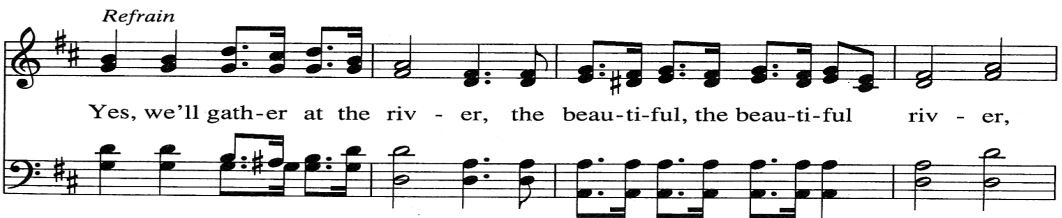


1 Shall we gath-er at the riv-er, where bright an-gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
3 As we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-ery bur-den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day.
grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er,



Gath-er with the saints at the riv-er that flows by the throne of God.

Confirmands' Statements of Faith and Selected Scripture

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

"Song of Hope"

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"Shall We Gather at the River" (1864) was written during a time when an epidemic was claiming many lives in New York. Robert Lowry's hymn raised the question, "Shall we meet again?". Lowry was pastor at Hanson Place Baptist Church in Brooklyn from 1861 to 1869.

May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, Fill - ing all our
 lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
 on our way, Bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
 Pray - ing, let us work for peace, Sing - ing, share our joy with all,
 Work - ing for a world that's new, Faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.

Postlude

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Linker

You, whether a member or guest, are an important and valuable part of this St. John's Chapel Community. Your participation in this worship service is a blessing. May you always know God's gift of unending love.

A nursery is available during worship for children up through three years of age. If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an usher.

Hearing-assistance devices are available for use during worship. If you would like to use one, please ask an usher to get one for you.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Earl Reed: continues to recuperate at Quail Creek, and reports with a smile that he is now pain-free.

Family and Friends:

Peggy Gilbert: (Friend of Tona Griggs & friend & colleague of Melissa Burnett) thanks us for our continued prayers as she takes oral chemotherapy while her breast cancer is in remission.

Josephine Walker: (Jeanne Kruger's mother) is in Magnolia Square, Room 228.

Pre-Easter Grounds Work Day, Saturday, March 27, 10 am.



MAKE YOUR PHOTO APPOINTMENT TODAY in the Narthex...
 or **STRANGERS** will call your home to schedule photo sittings!
 We want YOU in the 2010 St. John's Chapel photo directory!

<u>Our Stewardship for Sunday, March 14, 2010</u>			
Worship	78	Offering	\$1,924.50
Sunday School:	22	Offering	\$16.00

**GIVE NOW to the
 Feinstein Foundation
 Challenge!**

When is one dollar worth two? Right now ('til the end of April) when donations to Crosslines will be matched by the Feinstein Foundation. Make checks out to St. John's Chapel noting Feinstein Foundation on the memo line. Donated funds will be sent via the Council of Churches at the end of April. **THANK YOU EVERYONE!**



Come join the Community Garden Meeting, Monday, March 29, at 6:30 pm. The plan is to plant tomatoes in containers this year. And Lea Ann Kruger's Sunday School kids have already started some heirloom tomato seeds. Join this high yield/low stress effort and eat the rewards this summer. All youth and children are very welcome!

Don't miss Springfield's 2nd Annual Community Hymn Sing, TODAY! March 21, King's Way United Methodist Church, 2:30 pm-organ music, 3:00-choirs begin. An offering will be taken to benefit Crosslines. Organizers confidently claim, *"You will leave this event with a song in your heart and a spring in your step!"*

Hear ye! Town Hall Meetings being organized now—The Board of Service Ministries will hold five Town Hall meetings where members are encouraged to bring forth specific issues and opportunities regarding church-life, including ideas and suggestions for "Sabbatical 2011". Stay tuned for details...

We are unable to create the 2010 Organization and Committee Directory without your help. Please enable our Membership to become more active and to better communicate by submitting current rosters, "ASAP". Thank you, everyone!

WANTED! Submit a current list of officers/chair persons/or post assignments for the following, including length of terms and any vacant positions.

- Board of Christian Education
- Brotherhood
- Grounds Committee
- Building Committee
- Children's Choir
- Department of Spirituality
- Flowers/Paraments
- Independent Women's Group
- Koinania
- Library Committee
- Retired/Senior Citizens
- Women's Guild
- Youth FROGS
- Auditing Committee
- Historian
- Memorial Committee
- Parish/Pastor Relations
- Personnel
- Strategic Planning
- United Ministries in
- Higher Education
- Worship/Music

This list of organizations and committees was taken from the 2008 roster. Please alert Deb Hall of any errors, changes, or additions.

Your Christian Board of Education needs generous bunnies...

Please contact Eleanor Berger at 833-8796 and help make our Easter Egg Hunt "the best" by donating candy and/or money for candy. We have lots of colorful plastic eggs to fill with your help. *Please hop to help today!*



Maundy Thursday Service, April 1, 7:30 pm

The Maundy Thursday Service, per tradition, will be a service of Tenebrae and Holy Communion. There will be a ceremonious stripping of all banners, paraments, and items from the altar. Only the chalice will be left on the altar. It will be overturned, to symbolize the spilled blood, as the Christ candle is extinguished. The sanctuary will be closed after the service, as if sealing the tomb, until Easter. The 7:30 pm Maundy Thursday service concludes with Pastor Becky leading a procession with cloth-draped wrists, invoking Joseph of Arimathea's carrying of and caring for Christ's broken body. Labyrinth walkers will leave their symbolic cloths on the large native stone marking the labyrinth's center, heart, or God symbol.

Good Friday, April 2, All Day & Evening

Our journey continues Good Friday as Pastor Becky marks stations of the cross in chalk directly on the labyrinth surface. Chapel members and the public are welcome anytime, but especially this Good Friday remembering that there is no right or wrong way to walk a labyrinth. Written guides about prayer labyrinths in general and the stations of the cross will be available at the walk's entrance. Our St. John's Chapel labyrinth is an eleven-circuit, four quadrant path designed in the style of the Chartre Cathedral labyrinth, circa 1200 A.D.

Easter Sunday, April 4

Sunrise Service, 7:30 am

Alpha Omega Breakfast, 8:30 am

Children's Crafts, 9:00 am

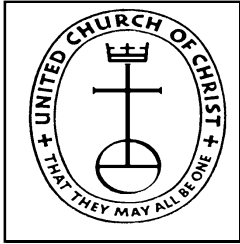
Easter Egg Hunt, 9:30am

Worship Service & First Communion, 10:30 am

Sunrise Service, 7:30 am, will be held outdoors by the fountain. The Youth are planning and serving the Easter Alpha Omega Breakfast, 8:30 am, following service. All our youngsters may next look forward to Children's Craft Time at 9:00, am followed by an Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30 am. For our 10:30 a.m. Easter Service, everyone is asked to bring flowers from their yard for our joyous processional. Before worship, everyone is asked to assemble in the Narthex. There will be a dramatization of the rolling back of the stone and we will form a procession into the church with our flowers and lay them at the foot of the altar. During the Easter Service, the confirmands will partake of their first communion and the congregation will also partake of Holy Communion. Let us rejoice together on this day.

Your Chapel Office wants to know about University and High School members' graduations. Please submit the information in writing before April 21. Thanks!

Messenger items are due tomorrow, Monday, March 22nd



Worship — 10:30 AM
 Pastor's Day Off — Friday
 Secretary's Office Hours: 8:30 AM — 1:00 PM Monday-Friday
 Pastor—Rev. Becky Hebert
 Pastor's Home, 882-0415 Pastor's Cell, 773-6702
 Pastor's Email, pastor@stjohnschapel.org

March 21, 2010

Steve Fortner will open the church for the month of March.

Today:	Fifth Sunday in Lent.....	10:30 am
	Confirmand Presentation Sunday	
	Serve at The Kitchen	4:15 pm
	Confirmand Labyrinth Walk, weather permitting	5:00 pm
Monday:	Messenger items due today	
	Grace & Weight	5:30 pm
Tuesday:	Centering Prayers.....	12 noon
	Board of Christian Education Meeting.....	6:30 pm
Wednesday:	Ozark Cluster Meeting	10:00 am
	Spiritual Development.....	4:30 pm
	Bells	6:30 pm
	Choir	7:40 pm
Saturday:	Spring Clean Up Work Day.....	10:00 am
Sunday:	Palm Sunday	10:30 am
	Confirmation Sunday	
	Confirmand Photos	After worship
	"Council Practice"	After worship

Dedication Lilies for Easter

Please make your check payable to St. John's Chapel UCC noting "Easter Lily" on the memo line. Lilies are \$7.00 each. **The deadline to order is March 28.**

----- *Our Altar Guild thanks you* -----

Please turn in the following form and your check to Deb Hall in the Chapel Office.

Name of Donor _____
 Given in Honor Of _____
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Our Mission Statement

St. John's Chapel UCC is called to love unconditionally, seek justice, foster spiritual growth, and embrace diversity of thought and body as taught by Jesus Christ.