



St. John's Chapel
 United Church of Christ
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May 8, 2010

Third Sunday of Easter

10:30 A.M.

(Denotes when all who are able to please stand.)*

Gathering

Meditative Prelude

Pianist, Kyle Aho

As we gather for worship, we invite you to observe silence and enter into reflection.

You might want to reflect on the many unexpected ways we encounter God in our lives. For further reflection, you might want to read Luke 24:13-35.

Space to write down your thoughts: _____

Or you may wish to light a candle at the Communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or whatever is in your heart and mind. Or you may wish to reflect on where you are on your faith journey. If you reflect better walking, walk around the sanctuary and reflect upon images you encounter.

Lighting Of Candles

Acolyte: Sarah Graham

Ringling Of Bells

Welcome and Announcements



***Opening Greeting**

Pastor: In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
People: **Our hope is in the God who works salvation in our world and in our lives long before we can see it.**
Pastor: Peace be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**

***Call to Worship**

Pastor: Let us open our time of worship with words of the Psalmist.
I love God, because God has heard my voice and has heard my supplications.
People: **Because God inclined an ear to me, therefore I will call on God as long as I live**
Pastor: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of God: "O God, I pray, save my life!"
People: **What shall I return to God for God's bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of God, I will pay my vows to God.**
All: **O God, I am your servant, and the child of your servant. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you thanksgiving; I will call on the name of God.**

***Hymn of Celebration** "Praise to the Lord" #20

Prayer of Confession

Hymn "Lord Have Mercy Upon Us"

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn "Lord Have Mercy Upon Us". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. Both staves are in the key of D major, indicated by a sharp sign (#) on the F line. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us." are written below the treble staff, with hyphens under "mer - cy" and "up - on". The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

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

Children's Time
By Pastor Stephan Scarf

Children will honor Mothers with carnations during this time.

(Children remain in the service)

Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" Arr. Alice Parker

Old Testament Isaiah 40:26-31 (p.653)
New Testament 1 Peter 1:17-23 (p.1104)

Hymn: "Alleluia" No. 131, vs. 1

Sermon "Luke 24:13-35:" Pastor Stephan Scharf

***Hymn** "Anywhere with Jesus" No. 614

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Offering Prayer:

Pastor: Our scripture lesson calls us to love one another deeply from the heart, and assures us that we have been born anew through the living and enduring word of God. Therefore we pray:

All: **In our giving today, let us give, not out of obligation, but from the heart. Let our gifts be seeds of the living and enduring word of God, that will sprout in abundance of justice and hope all that is necessary for life, for sisters and brothers here at hand, and around the world.**

Offertory "O Thou in Whose Presence" Lewis

***Doxology and Dedication Prayer** ("Praise God" No. 7 in *Sing to the Lord*)

Closing Hymn "Christ for the World We Sing" No. 702

Apostle's Creed

(Worship Resources, page 2)

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response "Nunc Dimittis"**

Nunc di - mit - tis ser - vum tu - um Do - mi - ne, ————— se -
Let your ser - vant now — go in peace, O — Lord, ————— now —

ne, Do - mi - ne,
Lord, O — Lord,
Last time

cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in - pa - ce, ————— Nunc di -
go in peace ac - cord - ing to your word, ————— Let your
Last time

(Do - mi - ne.)
(to your word.)

The musical score is written for a two-part setting in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems of music. The first system is the vocal line, and the second is the bass line. The third system is the vocal line, and the fourth is the bass line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings like 'Last time'.

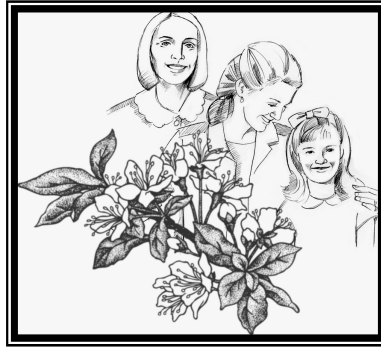
Postlude

"Tell it to Jesus"

Lorenz



Happy Mother's Day!



Our Stewardship for Sunday, May 1, 2011

Worship: 70 Offering: \$4,4160.00
Sunday School:12 Offering: \$15.00

The average weekly offering needed to meet annual budget is \$2,423.00



Sunday School — 9:15 AM
Worship — 10:30 AM
Pastor's Day Off — Friday
Associate Pastor's Office Day-Friday
Secretary's Office Hours: 8:30 AM — 1:00 PM
Monday-Friday

We thank you for your ongoing support of the many ministries of the Chapel through donations of time and/or funds. We couldn't do it without you.



Thank You from the Women's Guild

The Women's Guild would like to thank everyone that saves Best Choice Labels. We received a check for \$90.00 from the company in 2010. We encourage all to participate by placing your labels in the jar in the Narthex.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Clint Burton– He is the son of Joyce Burton. He has been tested In Kansas City. The results of the tests did not reveal anything new.

Please Contact our members who find it difficult to attend:

Virginia Shean– Address: Ozark Nursing Care Center, 1486 N. Riverside Road
Ozark, Mo. 65721

Virginia Steury– Address: 1820 Plaza Drive, Nixa, Mo. 65714-9437

Flo Valentine– Address: Ravenwood Assisted Living, 1950 E. Republic Road
#16, Springfield, MO. 65807

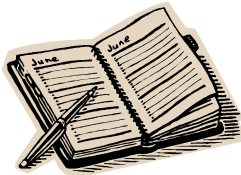
Family and Friends:

Linda: A friend of Tona Rowett, The results from Linda's tests show that she is cancer free. She is even driving again. How awesome are your prayers!

Peggy Gilbert: (Friend of Tona Griggs & friend & colleague of Melissa Burnett is struggling with her medication, and is undergoing frequent testing to ensure her breast cancer is under control.

Josephine Walker: (Jeanne Kruger's mother) She is in Manorcare on Fremont , Room 612.

CALENDAR CORRECTIONS



There are new calendars printed with corrections in the folder by the office door. **Please cross off the Work day on the 14th of May, if yours still has that entry.** The May and April Messengers have been uploaded again, so hopefully, those who print them from home will be able to do so now.

Graduation Recognition

We will recognize our graduates on May 22nd during the Worship Service.



We're Proud of You!

Independent Women will meet on May 15 at the Heritage Cafeteria at 1:00 P.M. Contact Sue Bos or Phyllis Bender for further information. The address for the Heritage Cafeteria is 1364 E. Battlefield.

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.

May 8, 2011 Mother's Day Dennis Gromer will open the church in May	
TODAY:	Third Sunday of Easter 10:30 am Mother's Day
Tuesday	Grace & Weight..... 5:30 pm Council 6:30 pm
Wednesday	Choir Practice 7:00 pm
Thursday	Women's Guild..... 1:00 pm <i>Entertainment by Jason Kopsian on Guitar.</i>
Saturday	Western Association Meeting..... 10:00 am YAHOOOS meet at Tim & Elisa Kruger's 6:00 pm <i>Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 11, 2011</i>
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter 10:30 am
(Early Camp Registration must be dated or postmarked by 5-10-11 to get a discounted rate)	

Help! We have need of janitorial supplies. Toilet paper, which is a special size for our dispensers, other supplies, or just a donation so that we may purchase them for you. Thank you all again for your support. You are a wonderful congregation.

<p>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.</p>
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