

April 14, 2024

Indicates you may rise in body or spirit. You are invited to read the **bold font.*

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

"Wondrous Love" *arr. by A.V. Fedak*
"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" *arr. by A.L. Page*

CALL TO WORSHIP

How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!
We are called to be Easter people!
Darkness cannot claim us!
Fear cannot bind us!
Christ is risen!
Christ is risen, indeed!

*SONGS OF WORSHIP

"Praise the King"

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
You give to us your greatest gift, your Son Jesus Christ,
as we still don't understand your call on our lives.
You call us to be people of courage and hope;
and yet we run and hide, doubting and fearing.
You challenge us to proclaim our faith;
but we huddle in darkness whispering our words of discouragement.
Shake us up, Lord!
Forgive us when we seem to need prodding over and over again.
Help us to see the presence of Jesus in our lives;
and remind us of all that he taught us,
to help us to live as disciples, serving you by serving others.
Change us! Remold us!
Make us truly the disciples you have called us to be. **AMEN.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"King of Kings"
Leaps of Faith

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SONG OF PREPARATION

#254 "Alleluia Hearts to Heaven"
w. 1, 2, 3, 4

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24: 36b-48

SERMON

"Jesus Appears"

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

#809 "Doxology"

Tithes/offerings placed in the box at the entrance of the sanctuary are transferred to an offering plate and brought forward during the "Doxology" as a sign of our response to God's call on our lives.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"Before the Throne of God Above"

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG

#835 "Savior Again"
w. 1, 2

POSTLUDE

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Participating In Worship

The Congregation

Serving the Lord in Worship

Julia Huisman

Organist

Rosalyn De Koster, Emma Franken, Kathy Fictorie,

Worship Team

Sharon Foughty, Tom Truesdell, Leif Schmitz, Savanah Van Leeuwen

Harper Den Boer, Harkr Kamp, June Koerselman,

Leaps of Faith

Sylvia Reidman, Ava Truesdell, Maggie Visser, Marielle Visser,

Allison Wallinga, Anna Wallinga

Emelie Laackman & Rosalyn De Koster

Adult Coordinators

Beau Koerselman

Children's Message

Rev. Rosalyn De Koster, Director of Musical Arts and HS Formation

Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Verlyn Boone, Transitional Pastor

Leading in Worship





CHILDREN'S & YOUTH DISCIPLESHP

Sunday Morning Nursery

Located out the east doors of the sanctuary, nursery care is available **9:30–11:45 AM** for children birth through 4 years old.

Where? When?

Sunday School @ ARC

Children & Worship (PreK–1st Grade)
2nd & 3rd Grade
4th & 5th Grade
Middle School
High School

10:45-11:30 AM

Room 106
Room 105
Room 103
Room 107
Room 108

Sunday Night @ ARC

Leaps of Faith
**(6th-12th grade)*

4:40–5:45 PM

HSYG (9th–12th Grade)

**(The first Sunday of the month, the HSYG meets at various ARC members' homes for small group dinners from 6:00-7:30 PM. If you have questions about where to meet for this, reach out to Rose at rosalyarcoc@gmail.com.)*

6:30–8:00 PM

Wednesday Night @ ARC

Our Wednesday evening activities have come to an end for this school year. We will see you again for F3 and MSYG in the fall!

CAKE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of 3 volunteers to make cupcakes for NWC students this month.

- April 17—A dozen White Cupcakes
- April 22—A dozen Chocolate Cupcakes
- April 22—A dozen White Cupcakes

If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Elissa O'Dell in the church office as soon as possible.

Phone: 712-737-4430

Email: office@americanchurchoc.com

ADULT DISCIPLESHP

SPRING 2024 (MARCH 10–APRIL 28)

*All classes will be taught in person at church from
10:45 to 11:30 AM on Sundays*

TRUTHINESS: FACT, FICTION, OR FEELING

Facilitator: Sara Huyser Location: Room 202

THE BIBLE AND THE LAND

Facilitator: Ben Lappenga Location: Room 201

Praise The King

There's a reason why
the curse of sin is broken.
There's a reason why
the darkness runs from light.
There's a reason why
we stand here now forgiven:
Jesus is alive.

There's a reason why
we are not overtaken.
There's a reason why
we sing on through the night.
There's a reason why
our hope remains eternal:
Jesus is alive.

Praise the King, he is risen.
Praise the King, he's alive.
Praise the King, death's defeated.
Hallelujah, he's alive!
Hallelujah, he's alive!

There's a reason why
our hearts can be courageous.
There's a reason why
the dead are made alive.
There's a reason why
we share his resurrection:
Jesus is alive.

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The grave could not ignore it,
When all of heaven's roaring.
Hell, where is your victory,
Death, where is your sting?

The world could not ignore it
When all the saints are roaring.
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Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven Alleluia, alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise:
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!
Death at last has met defeat:
See the ancient powers of evil
In confusion and retreat:
Once he died, and once was buried:
Now he lives forevermore,
Jesus Christ the world's Redeemer,
Whom we worship and adore.

Christ is risen, we are risen!
Set your hearts on things above:
There in all the Father's glory
Lives and reigns our King of love;
Hear the word of peace he brings us,
See his wounded hands and side;
Now let every wrong be ended,
Every sin be crucified.

Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory be to God on high!
Alleluia to the Savior
Who has gained the victory!
Alleluia to the Spirit,
Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia!
To the Triune Majesty!

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Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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Before The Throne Of God

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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Saviour Again

Savior, again to your dear name we raise
With one accord
our parting hymn of praise;
We give you thanks
before our worship cease,
And now departing,
wait your word of peace.

Grant us your peace
upon our homeward way;
With you began,
with you shall end the day;
Guard now the lips from sin,
the hearts from shame,
That in this house
have called upon your name.

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