

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S SUNDAY

APRIL 24, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name Pat Carpenter

***Easter Proclamation:** Pat Carpenter

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

***Gathering Song # 312** "Christ Is Alive" *TRURO*

***Call to Worship[†]**

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

Praise him in his mighty firmament!

Praise him for his mighty deeds.

Praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound;

Praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance;

Praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with clanging cymbals;

Praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

***Opening Prayer**

Songs of Faith "Carry the Light" **Worship Team**

Proclamation of Faith & Forgiveness[†] – Do not doubt but believe! For by believing that Jesus is the Christ, you have life in his name! Be assured that the faithful witness Jesus Christ loves us and has freed us from our sins by means of

his blood. The One who is firstborn from the dead and ruler of all the kings of the earth has made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father forever!

Glory be to God, the Alpha and Omega, who is and who was and who is to come!

Praise be to God because we are assured of forgiveness in Jesus' name!

Alleluia Song "Alleluia" **Worship Team**

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Ashley Smith

The First Reading **Acts 5:27-32**

The Second Reading **Revelation 1:4-8**

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Angie Foster)** **John 20:19-31**

***Responsorial #411** "How Firm a Foundation" *Stanzas 1,2,5*

Children's Sermon **Fran Seymour-Hunter**

Prayers of the Community and the Lord's Prayer **Sonia Roling**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Mission Moment & Project Video **Marianne Spano**

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations - A collection plate is available in the front of the Sanctuary, ushers will collect the offering, or you can give it online.

Offertory Special **Jan Mauck, Church Pianist**

Scripture Reading **Micah 6:8**

Prayer and The Message "Tearing Down the Walls"

Mrs. Sherrill Carlson, ABC of the Central Region, ABWM Project Associate

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship** – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God’s forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

***Closing Hymn #302**

“He Lives”

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***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude**

Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

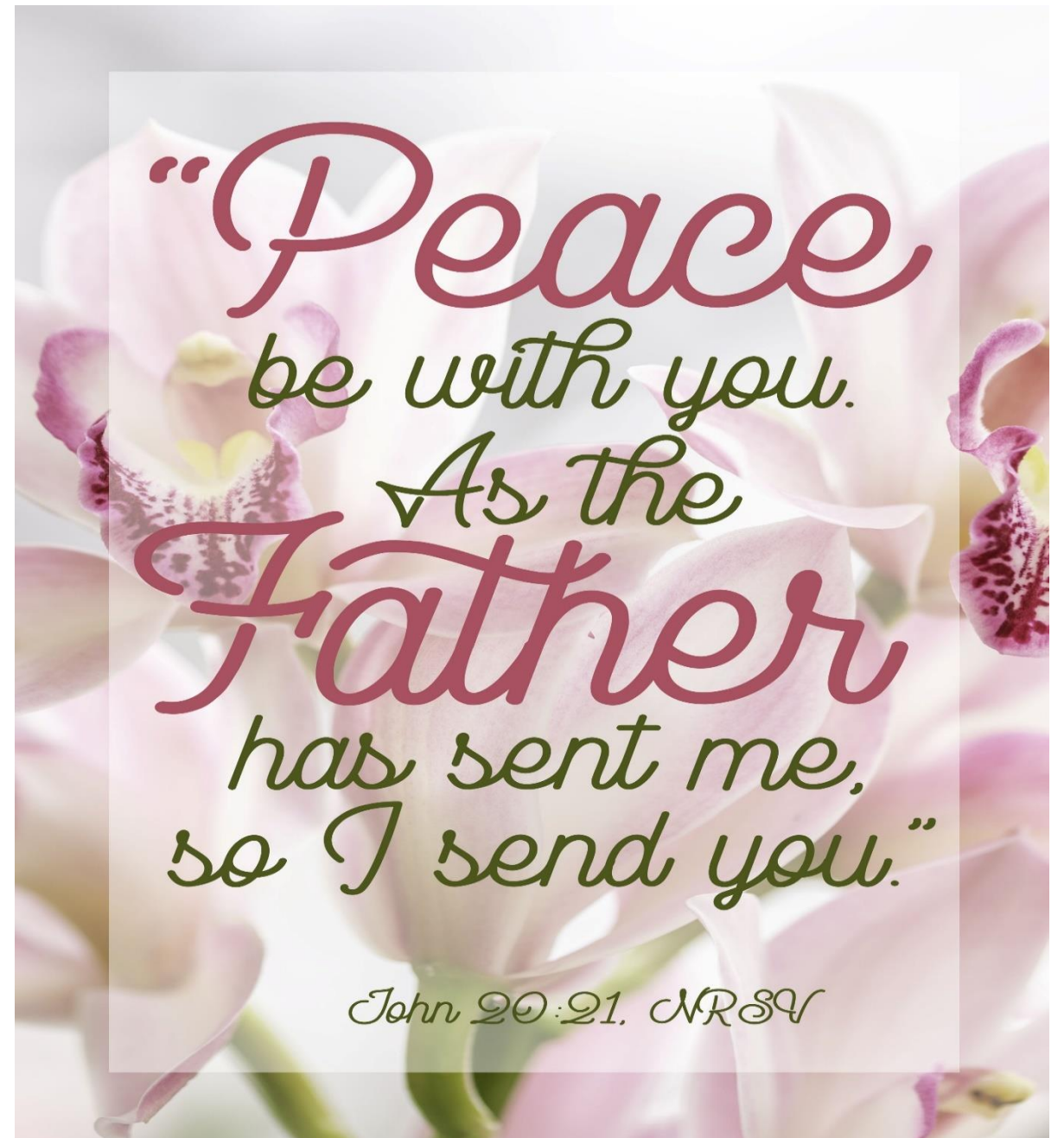
**Stand when able*

HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

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