

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 8, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name

*Easter Proclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*Gathering Song # 299 "That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" *PUER NOBIS*

*Call to Worship[†]

After this I looked and saw a great multitude that no one could count,
From every nation, people, language, and culture,
Standing before the Throne and before the Lamb, robed in white.
And crying in a loud voice, saying.

**"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated in the throne,
and to the Lamb!**

These are those who have come out of the great tribulation;
they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**They worship the LORD day and night, and the One who sits on the
throne shelters them.**

They will hunger and thirst no more. Neither will the sun strike them. For the
Lamb is the Lord and the Lord is their Shepherd!

**The LORD will guide us to springs of living water.
God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.**

*Opening Prayer

Songs of Faith # "Resurrecting" Worship Team

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Don Johnson

The First Reading Acts 9:36-4

The Second Reading Revelation 7:9-17

The Third Reading Psalms 23

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ John 10:22-30

*Responsorial #499 "He Leadeth Me" *GILMORE / BRADBURY*

Children's Sermon (Kids 3rd Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

**Announcements & Lord's Prayer – 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.**

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 Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Prayer, and The Message "A Song for Life's Journey"
Art Campbell, Retired ABCUSA Ordained Clergy

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

*Invitation to Faith and Fellowship

*Closing Hymn # "Make Us One" Worship Team

*Spoken Benediction

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).
5. **HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD** – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and covenant of this may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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