

Order of Worship for 4/14/24

10:00am CST

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* Please rise in body/spirit | Congregational responses are in bold

The Flowers this week are in celebration of Chris Rhea's 40th birthday on April 17th.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The bread of life opens our eyes.

All: The word of life opens our ears.

- One: The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,
- All: and by those wounds we are healed.
- One: Peace be with you.
- All: And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER (all)

Almighty God, your power makes the lame walk and the dead rise to new life. We give you thanks for the love poured into our world through Christ Jesus, who opened our minds to understand what you have made, whose appearance among his followers brings peace, and who creates faith through touch and taste. Show us Jesus, even now, through the mystery of your threefold presence, one God, abiding now and forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #106

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord, Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. *Refrain*.

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth. Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*.

3. We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*.

4. Come, let us praise the living God, Joyfully sing to our Saviour. *Refrain*.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, **All: We are forgiven.**

*HYMN #2026

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

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SERMON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Westminster Confession of Faith

God in infinite and perfect love, having provided in the covenant of grace, through mediation and sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ, a way of life and salvation, sufficient for and adapted to the whole lost race of humankind, does freely offer salvation to all... In the gospel God declares God's love for the world and God's desire that all should be saved; reveals fully and clearly the only way of salvation; promises eternal life to all who truly repent and believe in Christ; invites and commands all to embrace the offered mercy; and by God's Spirit accompanying the Word pleads with humanity to accept God's gracious invitation.

*HYMN #347

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

1. 'Forgive our sins as we forgive,' you taught us, Lord, to pray, but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

2. How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart, that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

3. In blazing light your cross reveals

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

NORD Acts 3:12-19 New Testament page 120 1 John 3:1-7

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the truth we dimly knew: what trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you!

4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, and bid resentment cease; then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

I Danced in the Morning

Hymnal p. 16

*DOXOLOGY

To the tune of "All Creatures of our God and King"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN #539

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

1 Savior, again to Thy dear Name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise. We stand to bless Thee ere our worship cease; And, now departing, wait Thy word of peace.

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

3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night; Turn Thou for us its darkness into light; From harm and danger keep Thy children free, For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

4 Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life, Our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife. Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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