

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
APRIL 19, 2020

*\*Designates "Those who are able please stand"*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

Marty Light, Organist

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Let us lift our hearts to God in joyful praise and song.

***For Christ is risen!***

The light of Easter is here, penetrating the darkness and breaking the power of oppression and death.

***Let us worship the God whose love triumphs over hatred and whose power transforms our despair into hope!***

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

#345 Blue Book

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (*Responsively*)

Kathy Winters, Liturgist

O Father God of the risen Christ, in whose resurrection we find new life, send your Spirit to dwell among us in this hour of worship.

***O Risen Christ, Son of the Father, may we hear your word of peace today.***

O Spirit of the living God, teach us once more to live in the power of Christ's resurrection, in whose name we pray. ***Amen.***

\*ORGAN INTERLUDE

Marty Light

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Responsively*)

Kathy Winters, Liturgist

God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of

righteousness.

***Forgive us, O Lord!***

You call to our hearts in the gently words of peace, but we often do not hear them. In our stressful world, you would give us love and joy, but we are too often accepting of the way things are to want more.

***Forgive us, O God, and guide us back into your presence that we may know the fullness of your joy and peace.***

We ask all these things in the name of Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (*Responsively*)                      Rev. Peggy Stout

Listen, brothers and sisters, God who raised Jesus from the dead has not given us over to death. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Thanks be to God!***

**\*PRAISE RESPONSE**                      “*His Name is Wonderful*”                      #230 Blue Book

***His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful,***

***His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord!***

***He is the mighty King, Master of everything,***

***His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.***

***He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, Almighty God is He.***

***Bow down before Him, Love and adore Him,***

***His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.***

### LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (*Responsively*)                      Rev. Peggy Stout

***Merciful and Loving God, send your Holy Spirit to give us encouragement, faith, and hope through the proclamation of the Easter gospel. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.***

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**                      *Psalm 161:1-2, 7-11*

Kathy Winters, Lay Reader

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God!***

SPECIAL MUSIC                    *"In the Garden"*                    Dawn Kilby, Soloist

\*GOSPEL READING                    *John 20:19-31*                    Rev. Peggy Stout  
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.  
*All praise to you, Christ our Lord!*

SERMON                    "I Told You So!"                    Rev. Peggy Stout

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

ORGAN MEDITATION                    Marty Light

PASTORAL PRAYER                    Rev. Peggy Stout  
The Lord's Prayer (*vocal solo*)                    Dawn Kilby, Soloist

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation                    Kathy Winters

Offertory

\*Doxology *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise Him all creatures here below;*  
*Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;*  
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Offertory Prayer

\*HYMN                    *"Because He Lives"*                    #292 Blue Book

\*BENEDICTION                    Rev. Peggy Stout

\*CHIMES

\*POSTLUDE                    Marty Light