



April 7, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER

CENTERING AND PRELUDE

Organ Chorale Prelude from Orgelbüchlein Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625

Composer: Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750

Ann Bartlow, Organ

WELCOME

Pam Kessler, Church Council Chair

CALL TO WORSHIP

Tim Evans, Liturgist

ONE:	A new day has begun.
ALL:	Hope wins!
ONE:	A fresh start is granted.
ALL:	Faith wins!
ONE:	Today you have the opportunity to do something new.
ALL:	Hope wins!
ONE:	Christ is entering your life in a new way.
ALL:	Faith wins!
ONE:	Come, let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way, a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith.
ALL:	Love wins!
	Let us worship Christ, who overcame death to give us new life!

WORD

ANTHEM

Come Away to the Skies

Composer: Peter Crisafulli, b. 1946

Hymn Tune: Middlebury, found in the South Harmony, 1835

Words: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Publisher: MorningStar Music Publishers of St. Louis

Chancel Choir: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tim Evans, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:1-14

Tim Evans, Liturgist

MESSAGE

“Doing the Work: First We Prepare”

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

*HYMN #156

I Love to Tell the Story

Words: Katherine Hankey, c. 1868

Music: William G. Fischer, 1869

Chancel Choir and Congregation

Ann Bartlow, Organ

WONDER

COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, (Tim Evans, Liturgist) and Communion Stewards

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Tim Evans, Liturgist

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WHAT NOW

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

*HYMN #706

Soon and Very Soon

Words and Music: André Crouch, 1978; adapt.: William Farley Smith, 1987

Publisher: Communiqué Music, Inc. & Crouch Music Corp., 1978

Chancel Choir and Congregation

Ann Bartlow, Organ

SENDING FORTH

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor

POSTLUDE

Fanfare-Toccata on *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Composer: Richard L. Elliott (living)

Ann Bartlow, Organ

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers given by Hank and Teresa Meadows in memory of Edward "Ed" F. Bruner.

SERVING US TODAY

Acolyte: William Hahs

Altar Guild for April: Dawn Adair Johnson

Audio Visual Volunteers: Aaron Dowd and Jason Spriggs

Chat Room Host: Mary Stark

Communion Stewards: Hannah Coppersmith, Aurelia, Cora & Ryan Miller and Emily Sama-Miller

Congregational Welcome: Pam Kessler

Fellowship Hosts: Tim Evans and Sara Romeyn

Liturgist: Tim Evans

Nursery Staff: Lesley Avery and Tessa Ricketts

Sunday School Teachers: Susan Jones and Jan Spencer

Welcome Team: Arvina Dalaya Gadre and Bill Beisner

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