

Fruitland and Payette United Methodist Churches

Second Sunday of Easter - April 19, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Welcoming the Light of Christ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Responsive Reading from Psalm 16

Leader: Protect me, O God for in you I take refuge.

People: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

Leader: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

People: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not be moved.

All: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

Leader: He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Calling Song

"We Are Marching" TFWS #2235b

(Just for fun, use some simple rhythm instruments: rice in a small plastic tub to shake, two spoons to tap together, a spoon tapped on a sturdy glass...you get the idea. You can pause the recording now to gather your instruments.)

**We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching, we are marching (ooh-ooh)
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, we are marching (ooh-ooh)
We are marching in the light of God.**

*Singing
Laughing
Praying*

Unison Invocation

Mighty God, in whom we know the power of redemption and resurrection, we acknowledge and welcome your presence. As we move

through the trials of these days, encourage us with the knowledge of that final morning when, in the presence of Jesus, we will share in his resurrection, forever liberated from all that binds us.

We pray in his name. Amen.

Chorus

“Because He Lives” UMH #264

**God sent his Son, they called him Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.**

Refrain

**Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future,
and life is worth the living just because he lives.**

**And then one day I'll cross that river;
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns.**

Refrain

First New Testament Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Second New Testament Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

God's Word for God's people.

Thanks be to God!

Offering our gifts and tithes

Offering prayer: Loving Father, your son said, “Blessed are you who are poor but woe to you who are rich.” Give us eyes to see the wealth in those we call poor and the poverty in those we call rich. We ask your blessing upon this offering and the many ministries these gifts support. Through Jesus we pray. Amen.

Chorus

“Bless His Holy Name” TFWS #2015

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And all that is within in me bless his holy name.
He has done great things, he has done great things,
He has done great things, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

Prayers of the People

***Commitment Hymn**

"My Life Flows On" TFWS #2212

**My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.**

Refrain

**No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?**

**Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?**

Refrain

**What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.**

Refrain

Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness,
protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**