

Covenant Community Church



Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.

Leader: Receive the Holy Spirit

People: It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.

Opening Hymn #646

Now Comes the Time for Flowers

Now comes the time for flowers, for joy, for beauty great.
Come near, you summer hours, earth's grasses recreate.
Sun's kind and lively charming of dead things winter slew,
comes intimately warming and all is born anew!

Our lovely flowered meadows, the tilled field's noble seed,
rich herbs laid out in wind-rows, green grows sedately treed:
these wonderful reminders of God's good Kingdom strong;
that we his grace remember, it spans the whole year long!

We hear the bird song ringing a many throated laud:
Shall not our tongues be singing our praise to Father God?
My soul, lift up God's greatness, a hearty song employ,
to him who wills to find us and bring endless joy.

You gentle Jesus, Christus, our radiant sun, our shield,
your light, your arm protect us, to you cold senses yield.
Bring fires of love internal, but damp the heats of lust,
prevent all hurt infernal: teach us your hand to trust.

Opening Prayer and Prayer of Confession

Breathe in this place, O Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, to open our minds, unlock our hearts, and enliven our faith so that we may welcome the risen one among us.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood yet we still struggle to live and believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus' name. Amen

We have an advocate with God--Jesus Christ the righteous one--who offered his life in love to save the world from sin. This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

We Hear the Word

Scripture

Acts 4:32-35

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

We Respond

Interlude

Hymn #477

Healer of our Every Ill

Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope behind our sorry.

You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness.
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [Refrain]

In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. [Refrain]

Give us strength to love each other,
every sister, every brother.
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [Refrain]

You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing.
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [Refrain]

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

Closing Hymn #264

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem
drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him
who died for me and hail him
as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
who rose victorious to the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing
who died and reigns on high;
he died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love,
behold his hands and side –
rich wounds yet visible
above in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their
wond'ring eyes at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace –
his Kingdom is at hand;
from pole to pole let warfare cease
and Christ rule every land!
A city stands on high,
his glories it displays,
and there the nations
“Holy” cry in joyful hymns of praise.

Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
in ineffably sublime.
all hail, Redeemer, hail,
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory
shall not fail, through all eternity.

Benediction

Benediction Response

*The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
And give you, give you, give you peace.*

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Risen Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

We Fellowship Together

Virtual Coffee Time and Sharing

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:
Music Leader:
Scripture Reader:

Rev. Jeannette Conner
Peter Olson
Marcia Morrell

Acts 4:32-35 New Living Translation

³² All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had. ³³ The apostles testified powerfully to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and God's great blessing was upon them all. ³⁴ There were no needy people among them, because those who owned land or houses would sell them ³⁵ and bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need.

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