

Second Sunday of Easter
April 23, 2006; Worship at 10:00 A.M.

Reflection: “Finally, friends, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” Philippians 4:8

“As the prelude begins, please conclude your conversations and quietly prepare for worship.”

Prelude

Church Bell

Introit

Call to Worship

One: It is the great and deep breath of God that surrounds us.
ALL: With each breath we breathe in your grace, O God.
One: There is no matter, no place, no being without your presence, Eternal One.
ALL: It is the mystery of your completeness in all that is broken - that we seek together.
One: We know that God is here, now, as we lift up our voices in song and prayer,
ALL: Assured that we are always in the wonder and presence of God’s inclusive love and grace. Amen.

* **Hymn #106** *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

In Hebrew, *teshuvah* means “coming home.” It is more than “repentance,” as it is often translated. It is rather a “turning” or “returning” to home – to the one from whom all has been created and given to us. Each time we pray, we turn more closely to home, to the source, to God. In such an inclination the light cannot help but shine upon us. The beat of our hearts cannot help but return more closely to the rhythm of the universe, and our breath suddenly become the exchange of the sacred with our human form. This place and time is on the path of *teshuvah*. We travel together, as we should, praying in community for God’s will and for one another. We ask for forgiveness for our wrongs and our missteps. We ask for the grace to bring our gifts to others and receive their offerings to us, as together we seek the path to the Eternal One, who guides and loves us always. Amen.

Silent Confession

Choral Response

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Rev. David Prince

* Hymn # 322 *Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.*

Sharing the Peace

Announcements

Children’s Message John Guzewich

Prayer for Illumination

1st Reading I John 1: 1 - 22

Anthem *With a Voice of Singing* Martin Shaw

Gospel Reading John 20: 10 - 31

Sermon *Breathed On by Jesus* The Rev. David Prince

* **Hymn # 104** *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

Offering our Gifts and Tithes

* **Hymn # 592** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Offering our Joys and Concerns for Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

* **Hymn # 316** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

* **Benediction** The Rev. David Prince

* **Choral Amen**

Postlude

**All that are able please stand*

*Please join us in the Parish House after worship!
We would very much like to spend time with you!*

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Organist and Choir Director	Michael Shapiro
Lay Reader	Mary Ann Garland
Ushers	Fred Griffing and Ann McKie
Deacon of the Month	Dallas Abbott
Coffee Hour Deacons	Richard Hansen & John McKay

If you are a visitor, please sign the guest book in the Narthex and join us for coffee hour to learn more about the life of this church. Speakers are installed in the choir room in the Parish House so parents of infants and toddlers may hear the service.

Weekly Gatherings: Tuesdays, 10 A.M.: Tai Chi; Wednesdays, 10 A.M.: Play Group; 12:15 P.M.: Bible Study; Thursdays, 8 P.M.: Choir Rehearsal; Fridays, 10 A.M.: Chair Tai Chi. Please check the bulletin insert and our website for other events and announcements.



*We are a Christian community welcoming
all as we seek to grow in faith and serve others.*

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