

Order of Worship
Worship is the way we Love God

10:55 a.m. April 30, 2017

When the music begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!

(*) denotes congregation standing

ENTRANCE

GATHERING

WELCOME and Announcements Hilton Haines, Lay Leader

Let us Prepare our Hearts and Minds for Worship!

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Helen Alexander

PRELUDE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Page

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Sing a New Song to the Lord* Choir

*OPENING PRAYER Rev. Mike Sykes

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 318 *Christ is Alive* UM Hymnal

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

ANTHEM *Assurance* Beck

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:13-35

SERMON ***Walking the Emmaus Road*** Rev. Mike Sykes

JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Rev. Pat Sykes

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We cut you to the heart, Loving God, with the silly choices we make. We had hoped our lives would reflect your presence, but those around us can see how empty we are. We had hoped our words might bring healing, but they end up hurting those we love the most. We had hoped to find Jesus, but cannot see him in all those you send to us.

Oh, how foolish we are to think we can go on without your mercy, Lord God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, you judge us impartially from the depths of your heart, so we may be born anew by your grace, to continue the journey into your future. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *It is Well with My Soul* Purifoy

*DOXOLOGY No. 95 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mike Sykes

The Sacrament of Baptist (See Insert) Rev. Mike Sykes

HYMN No. 133 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* (Stanza 1)
UM Hymnal

The Reception of New Members (See Insert)

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF GOING FORTH TO SERVE No. 133 UM Hymnal
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (Stanzas 2 and 3)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Rev. Mike Sykes

*CHORAL BENEDICTION *Go Ye, Go Ye into the World* Sleeth

*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY Helen Alexander

*POSTLUDE GOING FORTH
Paeon of Triumph Smith

*Please stand as you are able

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The flowers on the altar today are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Horace and Villa Webb by Glenn and Helen Alexander.

The flowers on the organ are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of Mrs. Helen Goodman on her 100th birthday by Faye Herring, Leone McLeister, and Shelia Webb.

Ponder this.....

Love when you expect no love in return.

Do good without expecting thanks.

Lend when you do not hope for a return.

Then we will be sons and daughters of the Most High.

--Henrietta Mears

“O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!” (Psalm 95:1, NRSV).
Welcome to worship!

Presence

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday School	63
Worship	104

Gifts

Operating Budget for 2017	\$493,245.35
Operating Budget Needed to Date	\$161,253.16
Given to Date	\$146,828.22
Percentage Given	91.06%
Amount needed each week to meet 2017 budget	\$ 9,485.48
Budget offering last week	\$ 4,099.00
Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)	\$ 10,905.00
Zoe pennies collected in March	\$ 60.00

Church Staff

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Stephen Ministry

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Psalm 46:1

Service for April 30

Ushers	Steve Webb Team
Heat/AC	Tim Capel and Steve Webb
Crucifer	Josh Griffith
Acolytes	Lilly Matheson and Abigail Miller
TV Ministry	Duff Morse
Nursery	Aimee Diggs
Greeters	Wiley and Judy Mabe
	LeeAnn Sago
RCO Soup Kitchen Leader	Hilton and Glenda Haines
Hedge Prayer	Susanne McInnis
Hermitage Volunteer	
Sunday Morning Fellowship	Benson Crotts
	John Thomas
	Next Sunday

No Children's Time or Children's Church Today



**THE ROAD TO
EMMAUS**

Third Sunday of Easter

First United Methodist Church

Love God Love Others Love the World

10:55 am



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