



## Service for the Lord's Day

March 18, 2018

Prelude "Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness" --J. Brahms

Life in the Church Rev. Dr. Debra J. K. Bronkema

Introit "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright" --German Traditional

### Call to Worship

*Unison:* **You have created us and who sustain us: We come with thanksgiving for these moments when we can ease the pace of our lives and listen for your voice. Create a spirit within us that truly draws us toward you and toward our brothers and sisters: a spirit deep, perceptive, gentle, and bold. Clear our minds, open our hearts, and touch us with your presence and your power. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our friend and our Savior. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise "Joy to the World!" #40 in the hymnal

### \*Opening Prayer

#### Call and Prayer of Confession

*Leader:* In Jesus Christ, God broke the barrier of sin and pain which separates us from our neighbor, ourselves, and our God. We seek God's grace, so we might move from alienation to new life.

*People:* **O God, grant us new life in you.**

*Leader:* When we deny your presence in our busy days –

*People:* **O God, grant us new life in you.**

*Leader:* When we judge others before looking at ourselves –

*People:* **O God, grant us new life in you.**

*Leader:* When we refuse to follow your will because we are fearful and untrusting –

*People:* **O God, grant us new life in you.**

*Leader:* When we turn our faces from your Light –

*People:* **O God, grant us new life in you.**

#### Assurance of Pardon

\*Congregational Response "Amazing Grace" #280 in the hymnal – verse 1  
**Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

#### Passing of the Peace

Anthem "O Sons and Daughters" (see insert for words) --French Trad.  
(arr. Shaw and Parker)

Recognition of New Members Jennifer Lewis

Sacrament of Baptism Gabrielle & Hazel Lewis

Hymn "Jesus Loves Me!" #304 in the hymnal

#### Children's Sermon

A Lesson from		Acts 4:32-35
Hymn	"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"	#104 in the hymnal vs. 1
Sermon	"Faith and Doubt"	John 20:19-31
Offering God Our Tithes and Gifts		
Offertory	"God Still Lives"	-- J.S. Bach
*Doxology, #592 in the hymnal		
*Prayer of Dedication		
Communion Hymn	"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"	#104 in the hymnal vs. 2,3
Invitation to the Table, the Great Thanksgiving, Prayers of the People, Lords Prayer -- (saying 'debts')		
<i>Leader:</i>	The Lord be with you.	
<i>Congregation:</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>	
<i>Leader:</i>	Lift up your hearts.	
<i>Congregation:</i>	<b>We lift them up to the Lord.</b>	
<i>Leader:</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
<i>Congregation:</i>	<b>It is right to give our thanks and praise....</b>	
Celebration of The Lord's Supper		
(The communion wine is replaced by grape juice. Please hold the bread to share as a community in Christ and drink the cup when served as an individual child of God.)		
Prayer after Communion		
*Closing Hymn	"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"	#106 in the hymnal
*Charge and Benediction		
*Benediction Response	"Amen "	
Postlude	"Christ lag in Todesbanden"	--J.S. Bach

To see the bulletin, insert for this week, including prayer list and calendars:  
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