Order of Worship

Third Sunday of Easter **April 15, 2018**

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

"Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?"

Welcome, Concerns

Please turn off or silence electronic devices before you enter for worship.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Prelude "Christ is Arisen" Hymntune

The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Therefore let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative. Lift up a prayer for your church family, staff, ministers & the work of Christ in the world.

*** The Chiming of the Hour (Congregation stands)**

*** Processional Hymn** "Thine Be the Glory" UMH Pg. 308

*** Affirmation of Faith** UMH Pg. 881

*** The Gloria Patri** UMH Pg. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Choral Call To Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The First Lesson Reading 1 John 3:1-7

8:30 | Stan Greenawalt

11:00 | Al Wendler

Offertory Prayer *(Ushers will come forward at this time)*

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

Offertory "Christ the Lord is Risen Again" arr. Samuel Scheidt

*** The Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Olde Hundredth) UMH pg. 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children's Sermon		Melody Gildner

Children 3 years old to Kindergarten are invited to attend Little Church.
Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Bldg.

*** Hymn of Preparation**	"He Touched Me"	UMH Pg. 367
*** Sermon Text**	Luke 24:36-43	
Anthem	"I Then Shall Live"	arr. Larson
Sermon	"The Last String. The Last Straw!"	Rev. Dr. William H. Phillips
*** Hymn of Response**	"And Can It Be that I Should Gain"	UMH Pg. 363
*** Benediction**		
Benediction Response	"Make Us One"	TFWS 2224
*** Postlude**	"Andante"	H. Hönig

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(*) Indicates please stand as you are able.

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Flowers

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my parents, Roger and Cindy Eisler, by John Bolek.

Attendance

Members and regular visitors please let us know of your attendance this morning by signing the attendance book. If you are a first time visitor, please fill out the visitor information attached to the Steeple and place in the offering plate and don't forget to stop by our visitor area in the narthex… we have a gift for you!

Sunday School

We offer Sunday school for children age 3 through adult each Sunday from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Children

First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer "Little Church" to children ages 3 through kindergarten following the Children's Sermon Time. Little Church is a child-friendly "mini" worship service in room 201 of the Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.

Ask the ushers for children's *Wiggle Bags*, hearing devices and large print hymnals

Usher Teams for April

8:30 Ted Bellamy and Marc Smith Team

Don Altman, Roger Beavers, J.C. Bellamy, III, Marion Bellamy, Ronald Eldridge, Bob Jones, Jim Kendrick, Earnie Nitz, Bob Poston, Donald Royal, Susan Smith, Craig Thomas, Yotta Werthman, Richard Whitman

11:00 Annette Willett and Blake Arp Team

William Bellamy, Ronnie Felts, Dabney Joyner, Beth Rozier, Jim Rozier, Dennis Ruby, Ed Willett, Al Wendler

Greeters for April

Front Entrance
8:30 | Kathi & Cam McCarl
11:00 | Michelle, Neal, Jackson, Preston, Meredith Bowers

Broadway Entrance
8:30 | Sharon Beavers
11:00 | EmilyAnn Skews

Office Entrance
8:30 | Marilyn & Ron Mason
11:00 | Martha Stanton

Assisting in Worship

Acolyte
8:30 | Bella Campbell
11:00 | Ben Gildner

Crucifers
8:30 | Reagan McQueen
11:00 | Halle Gildner

Little Church
8:30 | TBD
11:00 Elizabeth Brittain

Video
Jan Davis & Jim Lewis

Audio
8:30 | Jimbo Moore
11:00 | Bella Campbell