

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 John 4:7-21

SERMON

“ABIDE IN HIM AND HE IN US”

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ANTHEM

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*HYMN OF INVITATION

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

#159 v. 1 & 4

WORDS BY GEORGE WILLIAM KITCHIN & MICHAEL ROBERT NEWBOLT

MUSIC BY SYDNEY HUGO NICHOLSON

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Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign. The hosts of God in unity combine. [Refrain]

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH

BLESSED BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

#557, V.1 & 3

WORDS & MUSIC BY RICHARD K. AVERY & DONALD S. MARSH

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1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

3. We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

POSTLUDE

UP FROM THE GRAVE HE AROSE

ROBERT LOWERY

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LOVE
each other as I have loved



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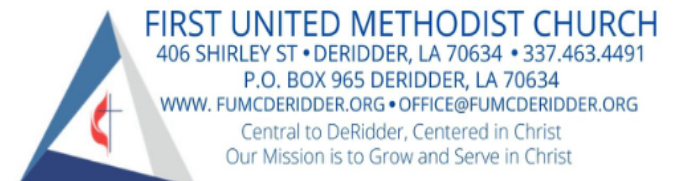
Forth Sunday of Easter

Worship Service
Sanctuary & Online

10:00 AM



Communion is available and the elements have been blessed for anyone who would like to partake after church service is completed.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

THE GLORY OF GOD IN NATURE

BY BEETHOVEN ARR. BY ALEXANDER SCHREINER
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WELCOME HOME!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

JUST A LITTLE TALK WITH JESUS

CLEAVANT DERRICKS
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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

Congregation: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Leader: The Lord will not let your foot be moved, the Lord who keeps you will not slumber.

Congregation: Behold, the One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: The Lord is your keeper;

Congregation: the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

Leader: The sun shall not smite you by day,

Congregation: nor the moon by night.

Leader: Lord will keep you from all evil, and will keep your life.

Congregation: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

#384

WORDS BY CHARLES WESLEY

MUSIC BY JOHN ZUNDEL

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1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest. Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Brothers and Sisters, what do you believe?

Congregation: We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God Present with us for guidance, for comfort and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

THE GIFT OF LOVE

#408 v. 1 & 2

WORDS BY HAL HOPSON

MUSIC BY TRADITIONAL ENGLISH MELODY; ADAPT. BY HAL HOPSON

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1. Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

2. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S

TITHES & GIFTS WITH NOISY OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

#94

WORDS BY THOMAS KEN

MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*

ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

CHILDREN FROM KINDERGARTEN TO 5TH GRADE MAY GO WITH CATHY SCOTT TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM

HYMN OF FAITH

BLEST BE THE DEAR UNITING LOVE

#566 v. 1, 3 & 4

WORDS BY CHARLES WESLEY

MUSIC BY WILLIAM HAVERGAL ARR. BY LOWELL MASON

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1. Blest be the dear uniting love that will not let us part; our bodies may far off remove, we still are one in heart.

3. O may we ever walk in him, and nothing know beside, nothing desire, nothing esteem, but Jesus crucified!

4. We all are one who him receive, and each with each agree, in him the One, the Truth, we live; blest point of unity!