* POSTLUDE

When the Saints Go Marching In

* You are invited to stand if able.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ushers: Karla Engel, Steve Marcus, Paula McCracken, and Danielle Wolff

Acolyte: Dessa Myers

Liturgist: Karl-Heinz Meyer

Thank you to Kecia Waldschmidt, singer; Bobby Schiff, piano; Bobby Lewis, trumpet; Jerry Coleman, drums; Ken Jandes, sax; Stewart Miller, bass; and Andy Tecson, sax for joining today's Ministry of Music.

Andrew Ministers: Susan Lynch and Lynda Nadkarni Coffee Fellowship is hosted by the Personnel Committee.

Trustees of the Month for April: Susan Deems-Dluhy and George Meyer

Trustees of the Month for May: Nancy Jensen and Thom DeVries

Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

April 30 ~ Third Sunday of Easter ~ Jazz Sunday

Ask an usher for audio hearing units. ~ Please silence your cell phones. Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger in the upstairs childcare room.



WELCOME

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE *This Little Light of Mine*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Sometimes good things are right in front of us and we don't see them.

Our fears and our prejudices blind us.

Open your eyes this day to see the goodness of the Lord. Open our hearts, gracious God, to receive your blessings. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! * HYMN 108

Christ Is Alive!

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Teach us the courage, O God, to turn from what seems so natural, so safe: the way of grasping power, and befriending the powerful, in the hope of protection and security.

Teach us the humility, O God, to turn from what is so enticing, so persuasive: the way of accumulating things, and trusting in wealth, in the hope of comfort and life

Lead us, O God, in another way, the way of true security, true wealth, the way of Christ, the servant, the way of weakness and simplicity.

Lead us, O God, in another way, the way of caring for the neglected, feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, protecting the threatened, and challenging the powerful, the foolish way of the Gospel, that brings salvation to all. Amen.

* HYMN 579

Glory Be to the Father

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.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited forward

HYMN

Jesus Loves Me!

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:36-47 Luke 24:13-35 SERMON

* HYMN 339

Welcoming the Stranger

Be Thou My Vision

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

MISSION UPDATE

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

Precious Lord

* HYMN 592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 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.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Healing for Bill Vogel, Joyce Van Cura, and Dorothy Thorsen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* HYMN 123

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL BENEDICTION