

✠ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** “The Apostles’ Creed” (*unison*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

**Go Out as God’s People in the World**

✠ **Closing Hymn Hof 516** “Alleluia”

*Vocal leaders sing 1<sup>st</sup> verse; then congregation joins in.*

✠ **BLESSING & CHARGE / VISION & MISSION** (*responsively*):

*To walk in the light of God;*

**making JESUS known is FIRST at First!**

*In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

✠ **POSTLUDE**

Following today’s service please join us in the upstairs hall for coffee & conversation.



If you are **visiting** today, we thank you for coming and hope you return soon.

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**Sunday, 11am  
April 30, 2023**

**To walk in  
the light of God;**

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is FIRST at First!**

**Today’s Worship Leaders:**

Musician: Marcia Brannon

Coordinator of Vocal Leaders: Kathy Wallace

Officer Assisting: Leslie or Sally?

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

April 30, 2023

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

11am

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship.

If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

*(Those not wanting to be seen on the video recording, please sit under the balcony.)*

*Hymnals: HB is "The Hymnbook" (burgundy) & HoF is "Hymns of Faith" (scarlet)*

## **Gathering of God's People**

*After the chimes, please be in quiet reverence & silence cell phones.*

**3 RINGS OF THE STEEPLE BELL & CHIMES**

**WELCOME** by Leslie or Sally?

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(See insert.)*

**PRELUDE**

† stand as able

† **CALL TO WORSHIP:** Psalm 99:1-3 *(responsively)*

*The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble;*

**he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.**

*Great is the Lord in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.*

**Let them praise your great and awesome name – he is holy.**

† **Opening Hymn** "Great is the Lord" *insert 140 Celebration*

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** based on Psalm 99 *(unison)*

*(Pause in silent confession.)*

**You are just and right, yet left to ourselves, we are unjust and unrighteous. Exalted high King of heaven, as you shake the earth, shake us that we might exalt you and confess our sin against you. Amen.**

† **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** based on Psalm 99 *(responsively)*

*"Moses and Aaron were among his priests. Samuel was among those who called on his name. They called on the Lord and he answered them."*

**We call on you, Lord. You have answered with your Son, Jesus, died on the cross to take away our sin.**

*In Christ know that you are forgiven and be at peace.*

**Amen.**

**GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE:** *(unison)* 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.

## **Proclamation of God's Word**

† **CALL TO GOD'S WORD:** John 10:35 & Romans 4:3 *(unison)*

*"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"*

† **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:**

**Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 1:1-2:16 & 4:1-12 p. 1681 & 3

**SERMON Takeaway:** "Live Lives Worthy of God"

*By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford*

## **Response to God's Word**

† **Hymn of Response HoF 363** "Living for Jesus"

*Vocal leaders sing 1<sup>st</sup> verse; then congregation joins in.*

**PRAYERS** of JOYS & CONCERNS followed by **LORD'S PRAYER** *(unison)*

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.

**CALL TO STEWARDSHIP** *(Receptacles for offerings are at each exit.)*

**OFFERTORY**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

† **DOXOLOGY:** *(unison)* 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.