

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Rev. Craig LaSuer/Rev. Billy Bross

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus for the transformation of the world. This week we celebrate the inter-generational event "Popcorn and Painting" which was held on Friday evening. Your generosity supports this ministry and the others of our congregation. I invite you once again to give generously as we worship God through the sharing of our gifts, tithes, and offerings.

The Offertory Music "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" with "Above All"
arr. by Carol Tornquist

*The Presentation Music "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymn #94

*The Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Beloved and Beloving One, how can we adequately thank you for all that you have given us? We respond by offering you our very selves and the gifts of our resources— tokens of our love for you. May they touch the lives of others, as we have been touched, that all may know your radical, forgiving, transforming love. Amen.

*HYMN OF BENEDICTION "Christ Is Alive" Hymn #318

*THE BENEDICTION

We have had our minds opened. We have had our hearts touched. Let us go forth strengthened, as we claim our identity as beloved children of God. And may God's promised peace be with us all. Amen.

THE POSTLUDE "Rejoice, the Lord is King" in the setting of "Arabesque"
arr. by Cindy Berry

**Indicates people standing as able*

Liturgy: Joanne Carolson Brown "From The Abingdon Worship Annual 2018. Copyright © 2017 by Abingdon Press. Used by permission."

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: Liturgist: Denton Sederquist (8:30); Clinton Johnson (11:00)
Organist/Pianist: Lisa Johnson Mott/Jorie Ronschke Audio Techs: Bob Nicholson, David Caddy, Katie Wereley-Bross, John Davis, Jonathan Heinz PowerPoint: Stu Kline, Brian Martin & Bob Nicholson
Video Techs: Neil McTavish/Tom Creswell



APRIL 15, 2018

ALLELUIA!

He has been raised.

—Mark 16:6

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Rev. Craig LaSuer/Rev. Billy Bross

Whoever you are and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. Please sign the attendance pad and include your best contact information, if we don't already have it. This is especially important for our guests so that we can appropriately take note of your presence today.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENT

As we seek to build up this congregation as the Body of Christ, we continue to encourage you to take a few minutes to fill out the Time and Talent survey. Thank you to the 67 people who have already completed the survey. We would also like to remind you that Altar Flowers are making a comeback. If you would like to purchase Altar Flowers, please sign up on the chart in the Narthex and call the church office at 743-1285. More details on these announcements and other events and important information can be found in the announcement folder.

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

"He is Lord" with "When Morning Gilds the Skies" arr. by Cindy Berry

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Liturgist
(Please stand in body or spirit)

Leader: Answer us when we call to you, righteous God.

People: Give us relief from distress; have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

Leader: Know that the Lord has set apart his faithful servant for himself;

People: The Lord hears when we call to him.

Leader: Let the light of your face shine upon us, righteous God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Thine Be the Glory" Hymn #308

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST Rev. Craig LaSuer/Rev. Billy Bross

As we say to one another "May the Peace of Christ be With You" we respond "And also with you." Passing the peace is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 3: 12-19 Liturgist

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Joy LaSuer
(11:00-Children age 2 through 4th grades may now leave from the service for Worship Express.)

OUR PRAYERS TOGETHER Prayer Hymn "Seek Ye First" HYMN # 405

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Craig LaSuer/Rev. Billy Bross

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MESSAGE IN MUSIC (8:30) "Festival Sanctus" John Leavitt
MorningStar directed by Ellen Wilson, accompanied by Jorie Ronschke

(11:00) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Medema/Raney
Chancel Choir, directed by Ellen Wilson; accompanied by Jorie Ronschke

*THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24: 36b-48 Liturgist
(Please stand in body or spirit)

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us;
All: Thanks be to God

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS Rev. Craig LaSuer

DISCIPLESHIP RESPONSE