

April 26, 2020

Third Sunday of Easter

9:45 AM

INTROIT

How Excellent Your Name John Douglas
By Peter Jacobs

Welcome by Pastor Mike Holland

CALL TO WORSHIP

led by Jim and Keni Cox, Elders

One: At the edge of April, we pause to breathe deeply, to re-affirm our place in this nation's community and, indeed, the unfolding drama of creation.

Many: **We are always in the midst of something challenging and exciting, something vital, something meaningful and genuine.**

One: Let us maintain a healthy, humble perspective and take things a day at a time as best we can. We receive God's grace for today and are blessed.

Many: **Yesterday is but a collection of remembrances and tomorrow is unknown, but today, well lived, makes yesterday a source of wisdom and every tomorrow a vision of hope.**

One: Let us live, love, learn and worship together today, and know in our hearts that all will be well.

Prayer: **Gracious Spirit, help us remember that our challenges, feelings, losses, even life itself, are never as final as we suppose, yet too precious to miss or take for granted even for a moment. Let us pay attention to matters with light-heartedness, for there is much life still to live. There are services to provide, values to explore and lives to touch, including our own. Let us live with deep gratitude within and express frequent thank-you's in our words, gestures, and embrace. And may this time of pandemic end soon. Amen.**

OPENING SONG

Open the Eyes of My Heart

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Robbie Arevalos

Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.

Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.

May the Spirit's power fill you,

May our tender comfort still you.

Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION Pastor Kel Henderson

(have bread/cracker and juice ready to participate online)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed One, who blesses us with daily bread and drink,

may we serve those throughout the world

who live and die in poverty, hunger and sickness.

Give them this day, with our assistance, the bread of life. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Here I Am to Worship

John Douglas

By Tim Hughes

MORNING PRAYERS with Pastor Mike Holland

Pastoral Prayer

Serenity Prayer

God, grant us the Serenity to accept things we cannot change, Courage to change the things we can, and the Wisdom to know the difference, Patience for the things that take time, Appreciation for all that we have, and Tolerance for those with different struggles, Freedom to live beyond the limitations of our past ways, the Ability to feel your love for us and our love for each other and the Strength to get up and try again even when we feel it is hopeless. Amen.

Quiet Meditation

Ever Faithful, Ever Near

John Douglas

By Frank Ritter

