



Welcome to a church where everyone matters
and everyone belongs.

Prelude

Processional

4/23/17

Welcome

Alive! Alive! Alive forever more. My Jesus is alive, alive forever more.

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Sing Hallelujah! Sing Hallelujah!

My Jesus is alive, alive forever more

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My Jesus is alive.

Light of Christ

***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.**

Call to Worship/Prayer

Rev. David Nelson

Leader: O risen Lord, we need your presence on the long road –
the road between fear and hope;

**People: The road between the place where all is lost – and the
place of resurrection.**

Leader: Like the disciples walking on the road to Emmaus;

People: We are in need of your company!

Leader: We ask you, Lord Jesus, to stand among us in your risen
power.

People: Let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.

Leader: Let us pray...**Lord Jesus, on the road to Emmaus you
were the disciples' companion. Be at our side on the journey
of faith – on all of life's pathways and at every encounter.**

**Arouse our compassion so that we may welcome others into
our midst and hear their stories. Kindle anew the desire to
proclaim your Word. May it shine in us and through us – and
may our hearts burn to bear witness to it – wherever you call
us to be. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen!**

*Opening Hymn

#233 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Anthem

"On this Day"

M. Jothan

Althea Madigan, Junior Choir Director

Children's Message

Barbara

Hesse

The 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.***

(Children may leave for Sunday School.)

Scripture

Luke 24:13-35

Rev. Joseph Tobin

Sermon

"Burning Hearts"

Rev. Sarah

Drummond

*Hymn #452 "Here I Am, Lord"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Rev. Joanne Myer

Morning Prayer

Call to Offering

Rev. Betsey Polglase

Offertory

"Many Gifts, One Spirit"

A. Pote

Leanne Connolly, Minister of Music

*Doxology

**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 (*unison*)

**Holy One, we rejoice in the knowledge that the risen Christ
continues to be with us through the Word and the power of
the Holy Spirit. We respond by sharing our blessings so that**

all may know the love and light of Christ. Accept these gifts, we pray, and guide their use according to your will. Amen. Thanksgiving for the TPC

***Closing Hymn** "I'll Fly Away" (*insert*)

***Benediction** Rev. Kevin Munroe

Recessional

Postlude "Jubilate" arr. Wilson

***All who are able are invited to stand.**

Today's Preludes

James Burr, organist

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| "More About Jesus" | Sweney/Smith |
| "Teach Us Thy Word" | Mendelssohn/Blake |
| "The Great commission" | arr. Livingston, Jr. |
| "Christ Has Triumphed, Alleluia!" | arr. Broughton |

We would like to thank today's guest preacher, Rev. Sarah

Drummond for participating in our service. She has worked with us from the very beginning of our Teaching Parish program. Her full title is, Dean of the Faculty and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Andover Newton Theological School and Visiting Associate Professor of Ministerial Leadership, Yale Divinity School.

The flowers on the Communion Table are given in thanks for the ministry of the TPC over the past 21 years, especially remembering the dedication that Mike Swan gave to this ministry. They have been a blessing to many.

Special thanks to Greg Shimer for helping us create the banner and posters we have on display today. We could not have done it without him.

Please join us downstairs after the service for coffee and refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

In Our Ongoing Prayers

Kathleen Gilbert, family friend of the Cimas, diagnosed with terminal cancer; Carol Whitney; Helen Dahling; Janet Boucher; David Nelson; Mark McPartland and Doug Penhall, friends of Shar Christman; Elizabeth Fry; David Drouin; Doris Brown; Gregg Moffatt; Shirley Bryant; Amy Robinson; Dean Hockenberry; Steve Carr, Sr.; James Purnell; Sara Levy; Julie, friend

of the Turner family; Geraldine Strong; Pat Lazeren; Helen Dyar; Dave Hollister; John Arthur; Dick Myer; Margaret Klukas; Paul Westerberg; people struggling with mental illness and their families; the people of Syria; Heidi Howie; Mason Bower; Martha Fowler; Michael Bebrin; Cooper Doyle
*New additions in **bold** print*

Reminder...Sunday School ends at 11:15 AM, *Debi Hockenberry, Director of Christian Education*

This Week's Activities

Please Note: There is **No Bible Study** this week (April 24). On May 1, we will be taking a field trip to Spencer, MA to see the Trappist Monks and will have lunch in Sturbridge. On May 8, we will begin a new series, "Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton. Feel free to drop by.

Men's Breakfast Group: Tuesday, April 25, 6:30 AM, Vernon Diner

AA: Tuesday, April 25, 7 AM, Kellogg Hall

Grief Support Group: Tuesday, April 25, 10:30 AM, Library

Ladies Luncheon: Tuesday, April 25, noon at Mitchell's Restaurant

Trustees: Wednesday, April 26, 6:30 PM, Kellogg Hall

S & E: Wednesday, April 26, 6:30 PM, Conference Room

Theology on Tap: Thursday, April 27, 6 PM, Mitchell's Restaurant

Sanc. Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, April 27, 7:30 PM, Kellogg Hall

Caring & Sharing Group: Friday, April 28, 10:30 AM, Kellogg Hall

Lasagna Dinner: Friday, April 28, 5-6:30 PM, Fellowship Hall. Menu: meat and veggie lasagnas, garlic bread, salad ice cream cake and beverage. Gluten free available. Adults - \$12, Kids - \$6.

Church-Wide Tag Sale, Saturday, April 29, 9 AM-2 PM - the J*Walkrz fundraiser for their Summer Mission Trip to Washington DC. Items will be collected this week.

The Sunday School is collecting peanut butter during April.

Child Care is available for church activities when notice is given 3 days prior to the event. Call Child Care Coordinator, Jen Jensen, 860-836-5824.

9th Annual Golf Tournament, June 3, Willow Brook golf course in South Windsor. There is a need for golfers and people to sponsor a hole, a contest and lunch. Donations are needed for raffle prizes and silent auction items. Questions? Contact a committee member or Michelle Bower (860-872-7274).

Heartsaver CPR/AED Classes: April 26, May 11 and June 8 from 6:30-

9:30 PM at the Public Safety Complex, 280 West Rd. Cost - \$35, part of which can be reimbursed by the Parish Nurses. Please contact Delythe Kracke @delythek@yahoo.com for more information. You can also register at learnoprfd@yahoo.com.

Women's Fellowship Retreat, October 13-14 at the Evangelical Christian Center in Ashford. Cost for overnight and meals is \$78. If interested, sign up on the sheet posted on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board. Questions? Contact Millie Oliphant (860-872-7106). Check out the venue at www.eccministries.org.

Evening Circle is collecting items for a Center Road School family - kids band aids, disinfectant spray or Clorox wipes, hand soap, body wash, shampoo or gift cards (from our Scrip Table). Drop off in the purple bin in the Church Office or at the Scrip Table on Sundays. Thank you.

The **Care Network** is offered by the Deacons as a helping hand during difficult times. If you are in need of a ride to church, the doctor, hospital, grocery store, etc., in need of meals or a visit, contact Cheryl Purnell, 860-712-8124 or Sue Pilkons, 860-875-4122.

Teddy Bear Ministry: Teddy Bears in the pews are for you to take and give to someone in need of caring love. Contact Joanne Myer at 860-872-9222 or jmyer0146@yahoo.com if you have questions.

To request a visit with the pastor, please call the Church Office, 860-875-7580.

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On this day, glorious day, let our praises ring,
God's Son has set us free!

On this day, great day, let our voices ring,
God's Son has set us free from fear of death
And bonds of sin,
From all that pains our souls within.
This day, on this day,
God's Son has set us free.

On this day, glorious day, sing we joyfully,
God's Son has set us free!
On this day, great day, ours the victory,
God's Son has set us free from fear of death
And bonds of sin,
From all that pains our souls within.
This day, on this day,
God's Son has set us free.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

This day, on this day,
God's Son has set us free.

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On this Day
by Michael Jothen

