"When you turn your worries into worship, God will turn your battles into blessings"



Holy Humor Sunday Sunday, April 27, 2025

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (* = all who are able, please stand)

Prelude

Introduction to Holy Humor Sunday

Pastor Tracey Harris

Our Holy Humor Helmsman

*Call to Worship

The God of New Beginnings has called us to this place.

We come celebrating the new life that is ours as God's faithful people.

Let your joy ring through the universe, and let your vision see to the depths of every soul.

We will be shouters of joy and seekers of God's light wherever we go. Praise God for this day!

*Hymn of Gathering "We've Got That Joy, Joy, Joy" Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

Last Sunday was Easter, a day where we celebrated the resurrection, the greatest act of life-saving imaginable. Through it God let us laugh at our death sentence by punctuating it with a living exclamation mark. On this day and in days to come may we remember that there are times when God restates the joyful resurrection. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace The Peace, Joy and Love of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Holy Humor Interlude - Holy Humor Helmsman, Sue and Betty

Children's Moment

Scripture Reading Genesis 21: 1-6

Thoughts Pastor Tracey Harris

Song of Reflection "The House of the Lord"

Holy Humor Interlude

More Pastoral Sharing Pastor Tracey Harris

*Song of Response "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Offertory

Lord, we thank you for your abundant blessings in our lives. As we bring our tithes and offerings before you today, we ask that you bless these gifts and use them for your glory. May they further your kingdom and bring hope to those in need.

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Gracious God, grant us a joyful heart and a holy sense of humor. Give us the gift of faith, to be renewed and shared with others each day. Teach us to live this moment only, looking neither to the past with regret, not to the future with apprehension. Let love be our guide, our way in the world, and our lives be a prayer. Bless these gifts, and us, that they may further your loving, creative work in the world. Amen.

Skit SaVanna Daniels and Philip Songer

Community Prayer Lord's Prayer

Faith in Action

Holy Humor Helmsman Closing Shots

*Song of Sending "Sing Clap Shout"

*Commission and Blessing

Hear the resurrection blessing Jesus offered his disciples when they were dwelling in fear: "I am here. We are here together. Peace be with you."

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

Thank you to Jim Anderson, Sue Lienemann, Betty Schippers, SaVanna Daniels, and Philip Songer for their help in Holy Humor Sunday.



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NEXT SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR . . . Consistory

COUNTERS . . . Ron & Laurie Buenemann



PLACE DONATIONS IN THE WELL OF HOPE OR IN BLACK CONTAINER OUTSIDE OF THE VESTIBULE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Pancake Mix Pancake Syrup Can Pears Applesauce Instant Pudding Mix Rice Dry Beans Hamburger Helper Tuna Helper

Canned Tuna Dish Soap Laundry Detergent Shampoo/Conditioner Women's Deodorant Bar Soap Adult Toothpaste Kids Toothpaste



Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am. Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Sunday, May 4 after Worship Regarding possible Sausage Supper this fall

CHURCH WORK DAY Saturday, May 17 More details to follow





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY ~ MAY 18 PICNIC @ WAPELHORST PARK @ 10:30 AM SIGN UP SHEET IS LOCATED ON THE CHURCH OFFICE WINDOW

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