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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

"I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great His power is to help those who believe in Him. It is that same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead." Ephes. 1:19-20

Carillon Bells¹

Prelude *Have You Any Room for Jesus?*

ROGER C WILSON

Welcome

Introit *We Have Come Into His House*

BALLINGER

GATHER

*Call to Worship & Affirmation of Faith

I handed on to You as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time. (*1 Corinthians 15:3-6*)

***Hymn 793** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

DIX

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Lord, we confess that we are like Mary was on that first Easter morning, unable to recognize You and carrying sadness about us. We confess that we are like Peter, unable to face You because of our failings. We confess that we are like Thomas, unable to believe. We confess that we are like disciples heading home on some Emmaus Road and unable to understand all the Easter events. We confess that we are like the early church, not ready to continue your earthly ministry. Deliver us from our disbelief and empower us with your Spirit. And may we serve You well all of our days. (*Silence for individual confession.*)

1. Please silence cell phones.

* Congregation please stand as able.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Hymn 454** *The Family Prayer Song*

CHAPMAN

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

LISTEN TO THE WORD

Scripture Lesson Revelation 5:6-14

Anthem *Homeward Bound*

MARTA KEEN

Soloist: Steven Knecht

Sermon Lesson Matthew 28:11-20

Sermon *Over and Doubt or Over and Out?*

Prayer

RESPOND

Tithes and Offerings Invitation

Offertory *Sanctuary Prayer*

FRANKLIN RITTER

Ascription of Praise Rev. 7:12

Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God, forever and ever!

Amen.

***Hymn 456** *Find Us Faithful*

FIND US FAITHFUL

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO OUT

***Hymn 444** *I Love to Tell the Story*

HANKEY

Benediction and Charge

Wherever you are, Christ has put you there.
There is something He wants to do through you there.
Wherever you go, Christ is sending you.
The indwelling Christ has something
He wants to do through you there.
Believe this and rely on His power, His grace, and His love.
--Adapted from R. Halverson, former Chaplain of the Senate

***Response** **“Shalom”**

GILLMAN

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

***Postlude** *Improvisation on “Nettleton”*

DAVID PAXTON

NEXT WEEK: *The Post Resurrection Appearances of Jesus*

Vision Statement: To know Christ and to make Christ known

Elder Class of 2017

Pat Adkins (Outreach)
Jane Capo (Clerk)
Joan Giltinan (Outreach)
Ron Kelly (Finance)

Elder Class of 2018

Doris Brown (Admin.)
Dick Sladen (Finance)
Jean Valentine (Worship)
Kirk Woolery (Christian Ed.)

Elder Class of 2019

Irene Harpley (Cong. Life)
Wilma Kaelin (Mission)
Donna Lilga (Personnel)
Sam Spear (Admin.)