BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH April 14, 2024 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

* Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable

PRELUDE: INTROIT:

SHEEP PEN: The Fish is Mightier than the Sword!

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The bread of life opens our eyes. All: The word of life opens our ears.

Leader: The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,

All: and by those wounds we are healed.

Leader: He is Risen!

All: Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Almighty God, your power makes the sick well and the dead rise to new life.

We give you thanks for the love poured into our world through Christ Jesus,

who opened our minds to understand what you have made, whose appearance among his followers brings peace, and who creates faith through touch and taste.

Show us Jesus, now, even more! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: This Joyful Eastertide (GTG #244)

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Leader: The One who calls us to repent, hears us. In trust that our Creator knows us through and through, let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness, praying together:

All: Good and gracious God, We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We ask your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Brothers and sisters, let us turn to one another and announce the assurance of God's grace to each other:

All: In the name of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your plea for absolution has been heard. God's promises are sure: your sins are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI *PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with all of you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with each other in community.

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE: My Song is Love Unknown (GTG #209)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: Leader: Let us pray:

All: Holy God, by your Spirit reveal your radical, surprising love to us. Come to us through your holy word and grant us ears to truly hear you and eyes to behold you in all God's children.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Bob Arthur

Acts 3:1–19 Luke 24:36b–48

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE: The One that Almost Got Away

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

HYMN: Blessed Assurance (GTG #839)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed (please remain standing)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION: One Great Hour of Sharing

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY/DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: Go To The World (GTG #295)

*BENEDICTION: Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace...never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

POSTLUDE: Beethoven

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APRIL 14, 2024
11am Traditional Service
Rev. Mark Piedmonte
Music Director – Gregory Fraser

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