

5th Sunday of Easter

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Darrel Hinshaw

Ministers: the entire congregation

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

April 20, 2008

As you are seated, please remember to fill out the attendance pad and pass it along the pew.

**Indicates those who are able may stand*

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS – The Faith We Sing

Words of Welcome

Kay Abrams

Centering

"Some people are at the top of the ladder, some are in the middle, still more are at the bottom, and a whole lot more don't even know there is a ladder."
--Robert H. Schuller

Prelude

8:15: Leha Uehling

11:00: Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

8:15: Ellen Franklin

11:00: Jackie Holmquist

As we light this lamp, we pray for the safety of all who are in harm's way this day and especially for all those in the midst of conflict.

Grant us peace, grant them peace, grant the world peace, in the name of Your son. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

God is near to all who call upon Him, to all who approach the Almighty in truth.

We look to God, who supplies our food and fulfills the desires of those who cry for aid.

With open hands God welcomes us and preserves us from wickedness.

Our mouths will speak the praise of God; let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.

***Opening Hymn**

UMH #62 (vs. 1-5) "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have loved us and met our needs, even when we have ignored you and resisted your Word. We have not loved you or one another as you command, but have looked for saviors in our own image and have given our attention to those from whom we think we can gain. We have closed our eyes to the suffering and pain we help to inflict on some of your children. Forgive us and turn us around, lest our care and concern come too late to help other children whom you love. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

***Psalm 31**

UMH #764 (response 2)

***Gloria Patri**

UMH #70

***Hymn**

UMH #334

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Introduction to Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayers of the People:

God, to your love...

...we trust this prayer.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to support Love INC.)

The Offertory

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Anthem

"Thy Will Be Done"

(11:00)

Especially for the Children

Afterward, children at the 11 am service, 4 yrs. – 2nd grade, are invited to Children's Church. The children will return to the sanctuary during the final hymn.

Reception of New Members

(11:00)

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Outdoor Ministries Mission Moment

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Revelation 21:1-6

*Gospel: John 14:1-14

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Witness

Rev. Darrel Hinshaw

"The Sea Shall Be No More"

*Responsive Hymn

TFWS #2146

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

*Taking Christ's Light Into the World

Extinguishing the altar candles

*Going Forth

God goes with all who seek His help, with all who would give authentic witness.

We believe God will supply the food we need and fulfill the desire of our hearts for meaning.

The blessings of God are meant for all humanity, so we go out to make them real to others.

Our mouths will speak the praises of God, and our deeds will tell of His kindness. Amen.

*Closing Song (words on the beams above the sanctuary)

*Passing the Peace

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.