

3rd Sunday of Easter

White (symbolizing Life)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship Service

April 15, 2018

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

Bold – Everyone speaks

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (blue hardcover)

FWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black paperback)

WAS – Worship and Song (green paperback)

Inspiration

Before I say goodbye and bow again to the eternal within you, I'd like to give you the words of one of my favorite neighborhood songs. This song is called "It's You I Like."

It's you I like; it's not the things you wear.

It's not the way you do your hair, but it's you I like.

The way you are right now, the way down deep inside you

not the things that hide you, not your diplomas ... they're just beside you.

But it's you I like, every part of you; your skin, your eyes, your feelings, whether old or new.

I hope that you'll remember, even when you're feeling blue, that it's you I like, it's you yourself, it's you, it's you I like!

Congratulations to you all.

—Fred Rogers, from his commencement address at Marquette University,
May 20, 2001

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

8:30 Marsha Frederick
11:00 Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

8:30 Al Beck
11:00 Dave Flagg

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

Leader: Seek the Lord while he may be found.

People: We call upon God who is near to us.

Leader: Let the wicked abandon their way of life.

People: Let those who are evil change their way of thinking.

Leader: May all people return to God who is merciful.

People: The Lord longs to forgive and restore us.

Leader: God's thoughts are different from ours; they surpass anything we might think.

People: God's ways are not like ours; they are beyond what we could imagine.

Leader: The Lord's words never return void but always accomplish their purposes.

People: God's word is everlasting. May it take root and grow in us. Amen.

—Adapted from Isaiah 55:6-11.

*Opening Hymn

UMH #308

"Thine Be the Glory"

Call to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Invocation

God on high, give us hearts full of gratitude. We have much to celebrate and we ask that you would fill our souls with a pure desire to worship. The gift you have given us in the raising of your Son from the dead is worthy of all glory and honor and praise. We want our worship to reflect the elation we feel. Thank you for being present with us. Guide us as we worship today. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Response and Call to Prayer

UMH #503

"Let It Breathe On Me"

Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Brief prayers may be shared by people in the congregation.

*If it is a prayer request, the Pastor will end the prayer by saying,
"God, to your love..."*

If it is a praise, the Pastor will say, "God, in thanksgiving..."

*Then the people shall respond each time by saying:
"...we trust this prayer."*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (11:00)

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.

Anthem (11:00)

"Easter Joy"

Choir

Especially for Children

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to Birchwood Camp)

To our first time visitors: As the offering plate is passed, please understand that your presence is the only gift we ask. If you would join us again next Sunday, that would be appreciated even more!

*Doxology

UMH #94

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

Hymn of Preparation (11:00)

FWS #2199

"Stay with Us"

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4 (*sing UMH 741*)

1 John 3:1-7

*Luke 24:36b-48

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

Won't You Be My Neighbor

Rev. Tim McConville

Holy Communion* (8:30)

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Discipleship**

UMH #318

"Christ Is Alive"

***Taking Christ's Light into the World**

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** (*words on the overhead beams*)

***Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.

Scriptures for next Sunday, April 22nd

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137)

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18

***Communion Note**

We also have a separate gluten-free bread and chalice available for those who cannot have gluten. Please ask the servers for "gluten-free".