

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015 11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS PRELUDE

Prelude in C-sharp Major

Jerry Dombrowski, Lay Leader
J.S. Bach

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted the poetry of George Herbert

ONE: Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; Such a Way, as gives us breath:

MANY: Such a Truth, as ends all strife; Such a Life, as killeth death.

ONE: Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength; Such a Light, as shows a feast:

MANY: Such a Feast, as mends in length; Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

ONE: Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart; Such a Joy, as none can move:

MANY: Such a Love, as none can part; Such a Heart, as joys in love.

ONE: Let all the world in every corner sing: My God and King.

ALL: The Church with psalms must shout that no door can keep them out; But above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing: My God and King!

*HYMN OF INTENTION

“Thine Be the Glory”

No. 308

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Kathy Schmucker, Spiritual Formation Director

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

WELCOMING OUR SISTER IN CHRIST

Heather Cooper, piano

We welcome Emma Jane Albu, daughter of Nicholas & Megan Albu.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14: 1-7; 11: 17-27 pg.108 NT

REFLECTION

I AM Alleluia Series: Resurrection, Way, Truth, & Life

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

OFFERING

Two sets of offering plates will be passed today. The brass plates will receive your regular offering for mission and ministry through FUMC. The second wooden plate is designated as a love offering to help offset costs of our guest musicians and our piano rental.

OFFERTORY

Cantique de Jean Racine

Gabriel Faure

O Word, worthy of the Most High, our sole hope, eternal day of earth and the heavens, we break the silence of the peaceful night. Divine Savior, cast Thine eyes upon us! Shed the light of Thy mighty grace upon us. Let all Hell flee at the sound of Thy voice. Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul that leads it to the forgetting of Thy laws! O Christ, be favorable unto this faithful people now gathered to bless Thee. Receive these gifts offered unto Thine immortal glory and may it return fulfilled by Thy gifts.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Five Mystical Songs

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

1. Easter - from Herbert's *Easter*

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen.
Sing his praise without delays,
Who takes thee by the hand,
that thou likewise with him may'st rise;

That, as his death calcined thee to dust,
His life may make thee gold, and much more, just.
Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part with all thy art.
The cross taught all wood to resound his name, who bore the same.
His stretched sinews taught all strings, what key
Is the best to celebrate this most high day.
Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song pleasant and long;
Or since all music is but three parts vied and multiplied.
O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part,
And make up our defects with his sweet art.
Greg Eisenbrei, baritone

2. I Got Me Flowers - from the second half of *Easter*

I got me flowers to strew thy way;
I got me boughs off many a tree:
But thou was up by break of day,
And brought'st thy sweets along with thee.
The Sun arising in the East.
Though he give light, and the East perfume;
If they should offer to contest
With thy arising, they presume.
Can there be any day but this,
Though many suns to shine endeavor?
We count three hundred, but we miss:
There is but One, and that One ever.
John Bragg, bass-baritone

3. Love Bade Me Welcome - from *Love (III)*

Love bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back.
Guilty of dust and sin.
But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack
From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning
If I lacked anything.
A guest, I answered, worthy to be here:
Love said, You shall be he.
I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear,
I cannot look on thee.
Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,
Who made the eyes but I?
Truth Lord, but I have marred them: let my shame
Go where it doth deserve.
And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame?
My dear, then I will serve.
You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat:
So I did sit and eat.
Patrick Conklin, tenor

4. **The Call** - from *The Call*

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
Such a Life, as killeth death.
Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest.
Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joys in love.
Anthony d' Antonio, baritone

5. **Antiphon** - from *Antiphon (I)*

Let all the world in every corner sing:
My God and King.
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing:
My God and King.
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing:
My God and King.

*DOXOLOGY

No. 94 or See Below

*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 MISSION

"He Lives"

No. 310

*BENEDICTION

*CHRIST'S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

*POSTLUDE

Prelude from Holberg Suite

Acolyte
Edward Grieg



FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 26, 2015

Easter Cantata Sunday

**I AM Alleluia Series: Resurrection, Way,
Truth, & Life**

Co-Pastors: Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello

Organist: Heather Cooper **Liturgist:** Teresa Purses

Greeters: Paul Eriksen & Matthew Warburton

The silk altar flowers were created by Carol Beck and donated to Faith Church.

*The red carnation on the altar area is in honor of the birth of Joseph James Ziegler,
born April 20, 2015 to Andy and Tara Ziegler in Lewis Center, Ohio. Proud grand-
parents are Rich and Candy Ziegler.*

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**Next Sunday– May 3– I AM the True Vine and Bread of Life:
Confirmation Sunday; Pastor Steve preaching**
8:30– Chancel Choir; 9:45 Praise Band; 11:00– Celebration Bells