



3rd Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022 @ 10:00 am

Church of The Cross

475 West Higgins Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
(847) 885-1199

WELCOME ALL

PRELUDE

Adagio *by L. Bottazzo*

Robert K.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

“He is Risen”

Traditional Nineteenth Century Melody

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Rev. Steve Pierce

Holy One, Provider

Our ever-present help.

In our emptiness

You remind us of your presence.

In your abundance

You remind us you are here.

With a love that conquers death

You remind us we are yours.

Together, we gather to worship

With Easter hearts we are here to celebrate!

*OPENING HYMN

“He is Exalted”

by Twila Paris

CALL TO CONFESSION

Stu T.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lover of Creation,

Forgive us

We have not loved ourselves

We have not loved our neighbors

We have not followed in your ways

We have rebelled against your love

Forgive us

Engage us

Reshape our imaginations

Trade our complacency for your courage,

Our pettiness for your possibility.

Our greed for your goodness

Our aimlessness and for your adventure

Our lives for your love...

OUR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Steve Pierce

*RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE

“More Like You”

(Sing the Faith #2167)

*PASSING THE PEACE

“Jesus Loves Me”

SHARE GOD’S LOVE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 30

Stu T.

This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:1-19 (The Message)

This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Coming to the Fish Fry?”

Rev. Steve Pierce

Quiet Time of Reflection

Robert K.

OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS’ NAME

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

CHORAL OFFERTORY

“Hosanna to the King Who Comes!”

Lloyd Larson
with Aubrey and Natalie Murray

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Stu T.

*HYMN

“Come Let Us Eat”

GTG #528

CELEBRATING OUR LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

PRAYERS (JOYS, CONCERNS, INTERCESSIONS)

OUR LORD’S PRAYER

COMMUNING TOGETHER

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Stu T.

**Generous God, may we who have received this bread and cup
live empowered by your Holy Spirit.**

**Make us fishers of people, casting our nets of love, care, compassion
and invitation to others that we may demonstrate your gifts to all the world.**

*CLOSING HYM	“What Does The Lord Require of You?”	<i>GTG #70</i>
*BENEDICTION		
CHORAL BENEDICTION	“Dona Nobis Pacem”	<i>Composer Unknown</i>
*POSTLUDE	<i>Allegro Maestoso by D. Canestrari</i>	Robert K.



Prayer Request


Brenden (family of Laura D's co-worker)
Benjamin (son of Laura D's friend)
Linda A (sister of Judy M)
Christopher (Sabina's son)
Connie & Ed (friends of Karen)
Beth B (Stu R's sister)
Kevin B (Joe L's co-worker/friend)
Mildred B
Mary Ann B
Susan B
Andree C
Chuck C (Laura D's brother)
Patrick C (Stu/Marie's son-in-law)
Renee C (Laura's sister-in-law)
Jim C (Mary Ann's son-in-law)
Sabina C (Adelaide's sister-in-law)
Cecily (Laura D)
Linda D (Jim/ Sue's relative)
Betty F (Chris L's mother)
Abby F (Chris/Mike's granddaughter)
Donna F (Jim/Sue's aunt)
Karen F
Geri & (Son/wife) Brian/Kim (Adelaide's neighbors)
Adelaide G
Bruce & Linda G (friends of Stu/Marie)
Nick G (Stu/Marie's grandson)

Rita H (Jim/Ann's relative)
Jack H (friend of Mike/ Chris L)
James & Sandra (friends of John/Cheryl)
Jessica (Charlie/Nancy's niece)
Pam L
Phyllis L
Mike L
Ms. Bernie & Ernie M (friends of Adelaide)
Crisann M (friend of Mike/Chris L)
Judy M
Lisa M (Karen's daughter)
Steve M
Roberta M (Jim M's sister)
Tom R (Sue Li.'s brother)
Ann & Geoff S
Larry V (Jim V's father)
Josh V. (friend of Elizabeth M)
Yao (Adelaide's friend)
Caregivers
People devastated by terrorism
Our world and all affected by COVID-19
Families who grieve losses

- **Family of Sandy Lovell**
- **Family of Derek Zita** (Jane L's cousin's son)
- **Family of Carl and especially his surviving wife, Til** (John/Cheryl's friends)



Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 1	<p>10 am – Worship Service with Communion Guest pastor, Steve Pierce</p> <p>11 am – Coffee Hour in the Lounge</p> <p>12 noon – Adult Sunday School via Zoom</p>
Tuesday, May 3	7 pm – Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, May 4	<p>12 noon – Lunch with Pastor Julie</p> <p>7pm – Men’s Bible Study</p>
Thursday, May 5	7 pm - Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 8 	<p>10 am – Worship Service</p> <p>11 am – Coffee Hour in the Lounge</p> <p>12 noon – Adult Sunday School via Zoom</p>

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LUNCH WITH PASTOR JULIE

Join us via Zoom every Wednesday at 12 noon for bible study. We discuss scripture passages for our upcoming worship service. Contact Pastor Julie for the Zoom access information to join.

May 4	John 10:22-30; Psalm 23
May 11	John 13:31-35; Psalm 24
May 18	NO CLASS – Julie on Study Leave



BOOK CLUB SCHEDULE

- **Wednesday, June 1 @ 7pm**
“The Night Watchman” by Louise Erdrich
- **Wednesday, June 15 @ 7pm**
“Recitatif, A Short Story” by Toni Morrison
- **Wednesday, July 20 @ 7pm**
“The Searcher” by Tana French

Please email Judie at judietrue@gmail.com for Zoom details



Spring Work Day

Please join us for our annual Spring Work Day on Saturday, May 14 at 9 am - 1 pm. The Sign-up sheet is in the lounge.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The group meets via Zoom on Sundays at 12 noon. We are currently studying “Tattoos on the Heart” by Gregory Boyle. Everyone is invited to join the study! Please Contact Ken G. for the Zoom login details.

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