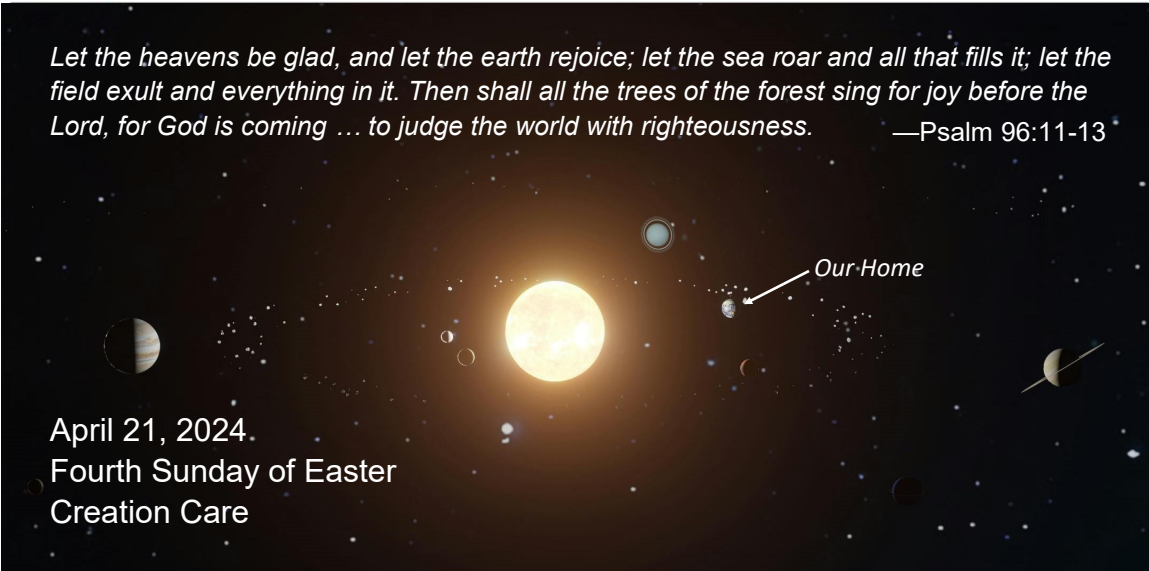




Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar and all that fills it; let the field exult and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for God is coming ... to judge the world with righteousness. —Psalm 96:11-13



April 21, 2024.
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Creation Care

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Night gives birth to the dawn,

And all creation sings for joy.

Come, let us worship our Creator.

The trees clap their hands,

The two-legged and four-legged yawn and stretch,

The rooster crows a morning song.

Come, let us honor our Maker.

And sing praise to the One who gives us breath.

Songs of Praise

“This Is My Father’s World”	#21
“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”	#869
“Morning Has Broken”	Farjeon

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor, the lonely, the stranger. We talk about love, but we fail to care for the earth you created and called good. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and live in us by the power of your Holy Spirit so that we love with action and in truth. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Passing of the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Reading	Exodus 32:1-6	Martha Bell
Time for Young Disciples		Barb and Bob Pappas
Scripture Reading	1 John 3:16-24	
Sermon	“Loving in Truth and Action”	Pastor Matt

Responding to the Word

Hymn of Response	“For the Fruit of All Creation”	#396
Minute for Ministry	Creation Care	

Offering

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

Closing Hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King" #551, v. 1-4, 6

Benediction

Postlude

Leading in Today's Service

Worship Leaders: Pastor Matt, Martha Bell, Michael Rivers

Pianist/Organist: Michael Rivers

Worship Music Team (varies): Beverly Brown, Jim Buckmaster,
Pam Carnahan, Dick Chambers, Iantha Frazer

Media Team (varies): Paul Stutesman, Todd Haworth, Wayne Brown,
Bruce McCloskey, Bonnie McCloskey, Dorita Reed, Bret Curtis, Dona Hair,
Mark Wendt, Barb Pappas, Bob Pappas, Sadie Miller

Slides: Lauren Corder, Cathi Hughes

Next Sunday's Worship - April 28, 5th Sunday of Easter

1 John 4:7-21 , *John 15:1-8 ; "Fruit for the World"

In this most familiar passage from John, Jesus tells his disciples that he is the vine and they are the branches. As such, his followers are carefully tended to by the Father who carefully prunes each branch to maximize their growth potential. But who will receive the fruit of the vine? Are the grapes for Jesus? For the Father? For the world? And if the latter, how do we go about bearing such fruit for the world? The answer lies with understanding that the branches cannot produce if they are apart from the vine; that relationship is key!

Announcements

FISH Company, Tuesday, April 23, 8 am, Zoom

Praise Team, Tuesday, April 23, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Women's Bible Study, Wednesday, April 24, 9 am, Fellowship Hall

New Officer Training, Wednesday, April 24, 6 - 9 pm, Fellowship Hall

FYI, PA Realtors using Fellowship Hall, Thursday, April 25, 7:30 am - 11 am

Mexican Train Dominos, Saturday, April 27, 2 pm, Fellowship Hall

The nursery is available during the 8:30 am service; it is located in the upstairs classroom, last room on the left. Hearing assistance devices are available for use during worship. Please ask an usher to assist you.

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