



FOUNTAIN HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Our Vision: Growing in love for God and others we make disciples for Jesus.
Our Mission: Love God – Love People – Make Disciples.*

April 28, 2024

9:00 AM

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

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Fosdick/Hughes

Arr by: Pamela M. Robertson

Dorothy Parris –Piano

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION BEFORE WORSHIP

I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work and meditate on your mighty deeds. (Psalm 77:11-12)

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Bob

PREPARING OUR HEARTS

“On Eagles Wings”

Michael Joncas

Celebration Singers

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Jeff Rand

Leader: In you, eternal Father, and through your Son, Jesus Christ, we find the beginning and end of all things. In him we find hope, forgiveness, and courage for new beginnings.

People: O God, let the fresh winds of your Spirit sweep into our lives this day, so that this act of worship and the week to follow may become a time of renewal and rededication to your service. Amen!

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Jeff Rand

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ’s resurrection so that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“As the Deer”

#548

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CALL TO CONFESSION (not on the screen)

Jeff Rand

God’s word assures us: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God. Please pray with me.

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS AND RENEWAL (unison)

Jeff Rand

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive us our sins and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (not on the screen)

Jeff Rand

Hear these wonderful words of assurance from the prophet Jeremiah: God says, “I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.” Thanks be to God for his love and forgiveness!

***HYMN OF WORSHIP**

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

#688

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Bob

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Pastor Bob

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Thank You, Lord”

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Dan Burgess

Arr. By: Jack Schrader

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (not on the screen)**

Jeff Rand

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. We continue to pray together as Jesus taught us saying, "Our Father..."

***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 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

SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 24:50-53; ACTS 1:6-11 (NIV)

Leader: This the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"How Lovey Are the Messengers"

*Felix Mendelssohn
Celebration Singers*

SERMON

**Series: "THE CHURCH IN ACTION: CALLED, EMPOWERED, SENT"
"The Importance of Christ's Ascension"**

Pastor Bob

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

#370 (vv.1,2,3)

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***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Bob

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

#370 (v.4)

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POSTLUDE

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*"In loving memory of my parents, Bill & Lydia
Quiggle and my brother, Charles"*

By: Nancy Wulfmeier