

4th Sunday of Easter

Thérèse Lehman, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

Did You Know ... Origins of Mother's Day:

Honoring mother's, dates back to the Greeks and Romans honoring mother goddesses, Rhea and Cybele. Modern Mother's Day stems from "Mothering Sunday," when faithful Christians in England and Europe would return to their "Mother Church" (home church) for a special service. Anna Jarvis organized the first Mother's Day in the U.S. in honor of her mother, to commemorate the sacrifices mothers made for their children. However, Jarvis despised the growing commercialism and by her death in 1948, she had disowned the holiday altogether! So today, let us just honor our mothers!

Welcome to the Fellowship

Deborah Mahler

Prelude

Jim Anderson & Gary Flach

"Stronger" arr. by Mary McDonald & Larry Shackley

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Use this time to prepare your heart for worship

Ringing of the Church Bell

*Call to Worship

A Litany for Mother's Day

on screens

*Opening Prayer

As we celebrate your love, Lord, we lift to you those who have given us life, those who have loved us, those who have blessed us, and those who have taught us; our mothers. May your blessing pour out upon the mother who gave us birth, and those beautiful, strong women of faith who have been mothers to us along our journey, whether on earth or in heaven. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

"O How I Love Jesus"

#170

Special Music

"Mom"

Jerry Marquis

Giving Back to God

Place prayer and visitor cards in the offering plate

*Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"My Tribute" arr. by John F. Wilson

*Doxology

#95

Singspiration Choir

"We Have Peace"

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Children's Moment

"Jesus Loves Me" verse 1

Children under age four may go to the Nursery

Children ages four through 5th Grade are dismissed for Junior Worship

Song

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" vs. 1 & 4

#301

Invitation to Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

#895

*Scripture Reading

John 19:25-27

Deborah Mahler

Message

"A Son's Love for his Mother"

Pastor Thérèse

Sacrament of Holy Communion

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

#618

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

#357

*Closing Hymn

"The Old Rugged Cross"

#504

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"He Is Lord"

#171

*Postlude

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus" arr. by Mary McDonald

Liturgist: Deborah Mahler

Greeters/Acolytes: Dave & Janice Maugans

Ushers: Mel & Ruth Ann Snyder, Mike & Valerie Flinchbaugh

Parking Lot Greeters: Howard Seckel, Loren Fulton

Nursery Attendants: Elizabeth Lorenzo

Jr. Worship Assistant: Jodie Haas