

Fourth Sunday
of
Easter
April 21, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

✚ *Please stand in body or in spirit*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✚ CALL TO WORSHIP:

The Lord is my shepherd, I will fear no darkness.

We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

Christ, the Good Shepherd, has compassion for all.

We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

Open your hearts to goodness and mercy today.

We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

Love, not merely in thought and word, but in truth and action.

We will love one another, as Christ loves us.

✚ OPENING PRAYER

✚ HYMN: "This is the Day" UMH 657

READING FROM ACTS: Acts 4:5-12 Robin Herman

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks Be to God

ANTHEM Choir

PSALTER: Psalm 23

PRAYER

EPISTLE READING: 1 JOHN 3:16-24 Robin Herman

These are the words of God for the people of God

Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE: *Love - The Dividing Factor* Pastor Tonya

✚ HYMN: "The Gift of Love" UMH 408

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We believe in God, maker of all things,
provider of all things, who loves all people.

We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us:

he sees us for who we are,

heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new.

In his death and resurrection we see the deepest truth of life.

We live by the power of the Holy Spirit,
which empowers us for self-giving love.

We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ,
and for the gift of forgiveness,

the power of resurrection

and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

(Over)



Love ...
in truth
and action.

1 JOHN 3:18, NRSV

PRAYER, PRAISES, AND 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

✚ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✚ HYMN: "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" TFWs 2223

✚ BENEDICTION

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Mrs. Peggy McComas for her April 26 birthday
by The Schunick Family.

Sound:	Charley Lednum	Accompanist:	Irene Howard
Greeter:	Nancy & Matt Leonard	Choir Director:	Karla Wilkins
Videographer:	Brandon Crawford or Charley Lednum	Pastor:	Tonya McClain

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 14, 2024
In-person: 42 Online: 27

<p align="center">Zion's Mission Statement</p> <p>The mission of Zion UMC is to provide a loving community to welcome all who seek a Gospel-based commitment with Jesus Christ, through which their relationship with Him can thrive and to provide opportunities to serve others in His name.</p>

<p align="center">Zion's Core Values</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship is the core of our life together. • We are family. • We grow disciples. • We honor God by serving others. • We live as God's stewards. • We respect our heritage.
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<p><u>OTHER INFORMATION</u></p> <p>Praise and Prayer Concerns may be texted to 302-536-8136. They will not be read during today's service, but added to next week's list. Check us out on our website: ZionUMCCambridge.org, like us on Facebook: Zion UMC Cambridge.</p>
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