## Amity Presbyterian Church



Appearance to His Disciples by Ed de Guzman

# Second Sunday of Eastertide April 7, 2024

Glorifying Christ - Always Loving, Serving, & Growing

Welcome to worship! We're glad you're here. At Amity, we truly believe that each person is a loved child of God, so we seek to welcome everyone as fully as God does. We celebrate the presence of children of all ages in worship, along with their noise and wiggles. Please make yourself at home.

Pastor: Rev. Megan Argabrite Director of Music: Isaiah Cornelius

Worship Leader: Tate Arges

## We Gather Around the Word

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (The congregation speaks the words in **bold**)

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Come and see the love God has given to us.

Come and see what it means to be children of God.

Come with this hope, that Christ's presence is real.

With joy, we come to see the Lord!

\*SONG OF PRAISE

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Hymn #239

Music: #475

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Singing together:

O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

Together we make our confession:

Creator God,

how quickly the wonder of Easter fades from our hearts.

Because of the evil we have seen in the world, sometimes we doubt that you exist,

or at least that you have the power to change things.

Oppression, violence, and plain hate still plague our world, and it is hard to see your love and light.

Sometimes, the evil in our very own hearts makes it hard to trust your loving goodness.

Forgive us, as we step out of our shadows into your light.
Restore us, as we reveal our brokenness.
Hear us, as we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and our God.
Silent prayer

#### ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: ...Hear and believe the good news of the gospel!

Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia, amen!

## We Proclaim the Word

THE GOSPEL IN OTHER WORDS

Children of all ages are invited to come to the front.

EPISTLE READING 1 John 1:1-7 Page 1898 in Pew Bible

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:36b-48 Page 1645 in Pew Bible

\*SUNG RESPONSE Glory Be to the Father Hymn #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

MESSAGE Pastor Megan

## We Respond to the Word

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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 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.

INVITATION TO GIVE

## We Follow the World Into the World

\*SONG OF PRAISE We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight Hymn #817

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Amen Hymn #600

\*POSTLUDE

\*You are invited to stand, if able

<u>The Congregational Life Team</u> will meet on Wednesday, April  $10^{th}$ , at 1:00 p.m. in the Amity Room. All are invited to attend.

**Middle and High School Youth Group** will meet today from 4:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. the Youth Room.

#### African Fellowship Anniversary Celebration!

On Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> everyone is invited to a church-wide meal and worship service with the African Fellowship at Amity. Lunch will be at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and worship will be at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be no 11:00 a.m. worship service that morning.