

Anthon United Methodist Church

3rd Sunday of Easter

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

April 23, 2023 10:00 AM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song **“This Is the Day”** **UMH #657**

Call to Worship Liturgist: Marilyn Hladik

L: Welcome! It’s wonderful to greet you in the name of Jesus.

P: Thank you! We are glad to be here.

L: Today we will speak of a special trip Jesus took.

P: We are eager to hear about this.

L: Ah, but it isn’t only about Jesus, it’s also about us!

P: Lord, make us ready for this journey with Jesus. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, you have given yourself to us in the person of Jesus. We have his example of loving ministry as a guide for our lives. We stand as people forgiven and reconciled to you. Be with us this day. Remind us that you are always near. Guide our lives. For we ask this in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

We Hear God’s Word

First Reading 1 Peter 1: 17-23

Apostle’s Creed (in unison) **UMH #881**

Hymn of Preparation **“The Church’s One Foundation”** **UMH #545**
(3 verses)

Gospel Reading Luke 24: 13-35

Today’s Message “The Walk to Emmaus” Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

Lord’s Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology #95,**

Prayer of Dedication

All: Almighty and gracious God, we pray for your blessing today. As we come to give you our tithes and offerings, we ask that you would bless us in return. We bring our gifts to you this morning with love and support for your kingdom’s work. In Jesus name we pray. AMEN.

Closing Hymn **“Victory in Jesus”** **UMH #370**

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude//Extinguishing of candles

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Marilyn Hladik
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Eleanore Lewis, Fran & Keith Determann, David Beach, Susan Redenius, Dee Ashley, Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Ralph Diamond, Trisha Thiessen, Randy Hayworth, Doris Waugh, Marvin Hanson, Barb & Cal Tyre, and Keith Allman.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

April 23: We will be having a congregational meeting on Sunday afternoon at 2pm, to discuss our church affiliation/disaffiliation. We will be doing straw poll votes to see how the congregation feels about this subject.

April 23: Following church will be an SPRC meeting.

May 5 & 6: Stephanie Johnson will be having a 25 cent sale in the church fellowship hall on Anthon's town rummage sale days. Everything will be priced at 25 cents and the proceeds given to the Heifer project. If you have

small items that you want to donate to the sale to be priced at 25 cents, please drop them off at the church. The Friday sale will be from 4 to 7 p.m. and the Saturday sale will be from 9 to noon.

May 6: The Washta United Methodist Church, Women of Faith would like to invite you to their "Spring Women's Luncheon" scheduled for Saturday beginning at 8:30 AM.

R.S.V.P is due on Wed. April 26th! The contact information is on the flyers in the fellowship hall, please feel free to take one.

May 8: Finance and Ad Board meeting at 7:00

Missions: The front doors of the church will be open to drop off items

For April Mission Projects: Spring House Cleaning is coming. The Orphan Grain Train out of Ida Grove has been chosen for our new mission project. They are in need of shoes (wearable, good condition, but no high heel women's shoes. They also need men, women and children's clothes, scrubs, walkers, canes, crutches, and wheelchairs.

We are also starting our ingathering collection for our hygiene kits. There will be a list of needs on the table in the fellowship hall. If you would like to contribute money, please contact Shirley or Marilyn and we will shop for items needed.

Mar. Readers: Apr. 30-JoLynne Reimert, May 7-Lisa Kerns, May 14-Autumn Hansen, May 21-Tim Hoy, May 28-Eileen Klindt.

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Bill Speirs (23), Marvin Hanson (25), Jerry Klindt; Dawn Zahnley(28).

May/June Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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