



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2014

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.

Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God’s Spirit dwells.

Relax the body; quiet the mind. Focus on breathing, feeling, being. Be mindful of your center—your reservoir of inner peace, strength, love. Be aware of being together in silence with others.

Feel the spirit of the community.

Prelude

Ringling of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *We Have Seen the Lord*

Robert Wetzler

Sue Davies as Thomas; Thomas Loomis as Jesus

* **Call to Worship** (adapted from Zephaniah 3:14-20)

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion! Shout, O people of God!

“I will save the lame and gather the outcast;

I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak,

for I will make you renowned and praised

among all the peoples of the earth,” says the LORD.

* **Hymn** (insert) *We Cannot Measure How You Heal*

YE BRANKS AND BRAES

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Loving God, we praise you for all your mysterious ways, and thank you for all your blessings in our lives. Here in these days of eternal life, we ask that we may see our lives as they are, and also as you would have them be. We ask your forgiveness for our failures. We pray for deliverance from fear, rage, cynicism—from all the things that separate us from you. We pray for willingness to grow in your Spirit. Help us to trust that your love has as many forms as do your children, and that it abides with us through all our successes and failures, even beyond death itself. In all things, grant us the perseverance to become what you always meant us to be, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who has prepared a place for us, and in whose strong name we pray...(silent prayer)

Assurance of God’s Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* Sung Response

from Hymn 119



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 322 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

First Reading Luke 24:13-16, 28-35

Sung Psalm: Hymn 165 (Psalm 16) *When in the Night I Meditate*

ST. FLAVIAN

Second Reading John 20:24-31

THE SERMON *An Accessible God*

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

Unison prayer after sermon

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. We ask that you grant this for your love's sake. AMEN.

* **HYMN 370** *Just As I Am, Without One Plea*

WOODWORTH

(include the following verse after verse 2 and before verse 3)

***Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind:
sight, riches, healing of the mind—
yea, all I need!—in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.***

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem *Peace Like a River/Kum baya*

arr. Jean Anne Shafferman

Sue Davies and Deborah King

(Please sign the Friendship Rosters found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* **Doxology 592**

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Loving God, we dedicate these gifts as an expression of our trust in you. You alone know our hearts, and you more than any human being love us. May this act of giving draw us closer to you, and spread a table of bounty before all who come closer to you through our sharing, in Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* **HYMN** (insert) *The Risen Christ*

WOODLANDS

* **CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION**

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 4

- 8:45 Prayer Shawl Ministry in the Parlor
- 9:30 Worship Service with Communion, and the Rev. Kate Jones Calone preaching;
Childcare (ages 1 - 2)
- 9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)
- 11:00 Adult Education Class in Jr./Sr. High Room
- 11:00 Parenting Workshop in the Parlor
- 11:00 SPC Choir rehearsal in the Choir Loft