

“Welcome ... to the annual FESTIVAL OF THE EMPTY PEW!”

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SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Worship 8:30 & 11 Thursday evenings 7:30

Sunday School & Breakfast Club, 9:45 Adult Choir 9:30

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2009

A blessed Sunday-after-Easter to all.

*Worship in our humble temple is a time of quiet, joy, & celebration
We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We enjoy having
kids in church ... but when they are noisy and restless ... we ask you
please to respect the quiet and dignity --- both of your neighbor and
our worship experience. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and
under ... and our good-looking, over-achieving, highly paid, and
moderately festive staff is always anxious to care for your kids. Please
accompany your son/daughter to the nursery and introduce yourself to
the attendant. Most of all ----- welcome to our church ...
the coffee of your dreams awaits you in Charter Hall.*

welcome ... maybe an announcement or two

opening prayer

It was feelin' pretty good this weekend, Lord ---- the sun, the warmth,
the green-ness, the buds ... all signs of growth & the hope of new
life ... refreshment & strength, in a world that can easily wear us down.

I need you, Lord, I really do.

I need to look up, instead of down.

I need to look inside myself, not always at someone else.

I need to dig deep, especially when I'm tempted to give no more.

I need to face the cross-roads & intersections of my life --- with
new-found grace and courage.

Most of all, Lord ... in these days of uncertainty ... in the midst of all
my wanderings and disjointed thoughts ... help me hold onto what
is precious and certain, onto what is timeless and priceless ...

namely:

your goodness and power

your son and his presence

a precious friendship ... a love-driven family ... a moment of joy.

Oh --- it's good to be here this morning ... amen.

opening song

“Thine is the glory” 145

the liturgy ... page 57

readings for the day

“will my younger friends come forward?” ... kids' time

song

“A new commandment” 664 (sing through twice)

meditation

the creed ... page 65

offering and offertory

choir anthem ---- “Salvation Created” 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper

Communion songs from blue book – 667 (4x) 740 (4x) 748

closing song

“Let all things now living” 557

benediction and 3-fold “amen”

We have beautiful altar flowers this morning ...

**from Natalie Joza ... in loving memory of her husband Kolman.*

May God bless his memory and spirit.

**from Jan Mitchell ... in thanksgiving for her son Scott ... who is
successfully battling cancer.*

**from Barb Bach and family ... in loving memory of Sonny, whose memorial service was here yesterday.*

THANKS FOR SHARING THESE BEAUTIFUL GIFTS.

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

**from Donna Chester ... in loving memory of her parents ---
Tim and Virginia Naughton.*

**from Dee Etscheid ... in loving memory of Brita Johnson.
May God bless the memories of Tim, Virginia, & Brita ...
and thanks for sharing the gift of light.*

A FEW HAPPENINGS AROUND THE HUMBLE TEMPLE:

*Monday --- Confirmation class, 7:15 – 8:30 pm

*Tuesday --- Church Council, 7:30 pm

*Wednesday --- Senior Luncheon, 11:30 am
Bible study, 7:00 pm

*Friday – Sunday ... youth retreat (last call for last-minute
reservations ... check with Don)

COMING UP

**Ladies' lunch ... moms, grandmas, daughter, nieces, friends ... sponsored
by our men's club --- SUNDAY, MAY 3, 12:30.*

You can purchase your tickets today.

**LADIES' NITE OUT (what's all this stuff for the ladies??)
Friday, May 15-----6:00 – 9:00 pm.*

*Purchase your tickets for \$10 ...includes your drinks & food.
You can also (at a reasonable cost) ... be introduced to yoga ...
get a chair massage ... purchase things ... good stuff!!*

**GARAGE SALE INFORMATION IN NARTHEX.*

**ORDER FORMS FOR BRICKS IN OUR OUTDOOR WORSHIP
& DEDICATION WALK.*

****This morning ...Gavin Jarmus (son of Justin and Julie) is receiving his
first Communion ... welcome to the Lord's table.**

our humble and very festive staff

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators
Linda McAley, custodian Mark Nussle, choir director
Kathy Klang, comptroller Mike Hefter, organist
Ed Steele, Mr. Fix-it Craig Nelson, pastoral support