FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ELGIN, ILLINOIS ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 8, 2011 3rd Sunday of Easter 9:00 a.m. Festival of the Christian Home / Mother's Day Communion / Native American Ministries Sunday

"We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father, your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord, Jesus Christ". (1 Thessalonians 1:2-3)

GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRAISE IN SONG "Heart of Worship" Redman

*RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 95 adapted

LEADER: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our

salvation!

LEADER: Let us come into God's presence with

thanksgiving;

People: Let us make a joyful noise with songs of

praise!

LEADER: For the Lord is a great God, and a great Ruler above all gods, in whose hands are the depths of the earth and also the heights of the mountains.

People: The sea belongs to God who made it, and the

dry land, because God formed it.

LEADER: O come, let us worship and bow down,

People: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

LEADER: For the Lord is our God,

People: We are the people of God's pasture, the

sheep of God's hand.

LEADER: Hear the voice of the Lord today! Harden

not your hearts...

People: We are the people, We are the sheep

nurtured and led By God's hand.

*PRAISE IN SONG "How Great Is Our God" Tomlin
"Joyful Joyful/Sing For Joy"

*OFFERING ONE ANOTHER A BLESSING

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Chris Palm

(As the children are coming up to the front, let's sing stanza one of Hymn #191, "Jesus Loves Me")

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 24:13-35 The Word of God for all the people

THANKS BE TO GOD

VIDEO "Look Around"

MESSAGE "If Easter Is Real...." Rev. Hutchison

OFFERING "By Your Side" Tenth Avenue North

"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly"

COMMUNION

Preparation of Elements

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895
"Surrender" Lincoln Brewster

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(Communion Stewards: Karen Weiler; Jim and Rita Corbett; Jim and Janet Krambeer; Jack and Michelle O'Connor)

*CLOSING SONG "Today Is The Day" Lincoln Brewster

*TAKING LEAVE Rev. Hutchison

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live,

but Christ Lives in Me." Galatians 2:20a

Please go in peace knowing that Easter is real and **JESUS LIVES!**

*Please stand as you are able.

Welcome Visitors

We are grateful you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope to see you again next week. We hope you'll find relevant and inspiring messages, outstanding music, and a wide variety of ministries designed for every member of your family. To find out more about $1^{\rm st}$ United Methodist Church, please pick up a Visitor Packet at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

Infant Nursery

Parents are welcome to use the infant nursery any time during the morning worship and Christian education hours. The nursery is through the hallway door to your right as you leave the Sanctuary, and is the first door on the right once you round the curve of the hallway.

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"Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him."

Luke 24: 15-16 May 8, 2011