



11AM | April 21, 2024

You are invited to join the pastor, on the right side of the altar, for a time of prayer before we begin worship this morning.

PRELUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (St. Denio) Dr. Esequiel Meza, organ Charles Callahan

WELCOME

Let us know that you worshipped with us today: www.westernhillsep.org/attendance/ See our full list of announcements here: www.westernhillsep.org/happening-now/

*HYMN

Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know

UMH #163

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Are you awake? Are you alert?

Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Are you watching the signs? Are you interpreting what is happening today?

Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Do you see opportunities for ministry? Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?

Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

Christ has extended the invitation: let us work together in the reign of God on earth.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in one God:

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

He is the true and living God,

worthy to receive glory and honor and praise.

He created all things;

by his will they existed and were created.

We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ;

all things came into being through him.

He is the image of the invisible God;

the first born of creation.

In him all things in heaven and on earth were created,

he himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Being in the form of God, he emptied himself.

he took the form of a slave, and was born in human likeness.

Being found in human form, he humbled himself;

he became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures;

he was buried; he was raised on the third day according to the scriptures.

God also highly exalted Jesus:

he gave him the name that is above every name.

God has put all things under his feed:

he made him the head over all things for church, which is his body.

We believe that Jesus died and rose again:

Through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

As all died in Adam,

so all will be made alive in Christ.

Thanks be to God

who gives us the victory.

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***SONGS** O Come To the Altar Praise Band

Way Maker

*SCRIPTURE READING Amos 5:18-24

John 2:13-22

The Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

*DOXOLOGY

MESSAGE Understanding Easter: Why Did Jesus Die on the Cross Rev. Kim Kinsey

GIVING TALK AND OFFERING

Tithes & offerings can be mailed to the church office. (524 Thunderbird Dr.)

You may also give electronically on our website at www.westernhillsep.org/donate

ANTHEM Shout to the North Chancel Choir

Martin Smith

*HYMN O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee UMH #430

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Judi Wilkinson, piano

Diadem/Keveren

You are invited to sit and listen to the postlude.

LAY READERS: 2024 Confirmation Class