Willow Springs Worship

Easter Season

April 28, 2024. 9:30 am

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4743450556

Meeting ID: 474 345 0556 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Hosted by Elaine Good

Welcome and Call to worship – Pam Kaufmann

Call to worship VT#866

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Prayer VT#887 Left side/Right side

Songs - Phil Kaufmann

Children's time - Connie Kauffman

Scriptures – Luke 24:13-35

Sermon - Lots of Steps on the Easter Journey

Songs

Sharing/Pastoral prayer

Summary of Second Story – Jaedyn

After prayer times "Lord, in your mercy" respond with "hear our prayer."

Announcements:

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for April is Second Story youth ministry in Princeton. If you would like to give to Second Story, make a notation on the memo line of a check. Thank you all for supporting organizations ministering to many. Second Story

Mission: To offer the young people of Bureau County, grades 6-12, a sense of purpose and acceptance by providing an inclusive social atmosphere of companionship and encouraging conversation. We want to cultivate and nurture the full potential of our younger generations through education, mentorship, and support.

Our church building desperately needs a **new roof** sooner than later. We plan for a new steel, hidden fastener roof to last for decades to come. Hopefully it will be installed in May! If you would like to give **to** the project, please mark your check. Take a look at the visual on the bulletin board for the giving project progress. — Building Fund.

CALENDAR

Fridays are Pizza Nights at HWF April 29/30 Cal's trip to Waverly May 4 Fionah's Agroforestry Class May 9 Church Board Meeting

Sending: VT#1066 Go in Peace!

Online giving option: https://tinyurl.com/donateWSMC

Luke 24:13-35

On the Road to Emmaus

13 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles[a] from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. 15 As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; 16 but they were kept from recognizing him.

17 He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. 18 One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

19 "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. 20 The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; 21 but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And

what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. 22 In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning 23 but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. 24 Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

25 He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

28 As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. 29 But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

33 They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together 34 and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." 35 Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

Inventory of complicated grief: A scale to measure maladaptive symptoms of loss

On a scale of 1 to 5.

Never Rarely Sometimes Often Always

- 1. I think about this person so much that it's hard for me to do the things I normally do
- 2. Memories of the person who died upset me
- 3. I feel I cannot accept the death of the person who died
- 4. I feel myself longing for the person who died
- 5. I feel drawn to places and things associated with the person who died
- 6. I can't help feeling angry about his/her death
- 7. I feel disbelief over what happened
- 8. I feel stunned or dazed over what happened
- 9. Ever since he/she died, it is hard for me to trust people...
- 10. Ever since he/she died, I feel as if I have lost the ability to care about other people or I feel distant from people I care about
- 11. I feel lonely a great deal of the time ever since he/she died
- 12. I have pain in the same area of my body or have some of the same symptoms as the person who died