



## 27 April 2014 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

*May God who gathers us around Himself in the Word and Sacrament to bless us with His forgiveness this morning be your source of comfort, strength and renewal as you worship today.*

*In the Name of Christ, we are all called to come and hear that the Lord is Good!*

Our Gospel reading is John 20.19-31 and the response after it is read is, “Praise be to thee, O Christ” spoken in unity aloud.

Hymns this morning: Call to Worship – Psalm 148

Opening hymn - #98

Prayer hymn – #334

Closing hymn - #304

All studies are back:

Tuesday – the Women of the Well - 10am

Thursday - The Book of Revelation - 10:30am or 7:00pm.

*Today we are pleased to have the Liturgical Ensemble of Forest Dance Academy, dancing to "When Love Sees You"*

Interfaith Outreach Association is adding a new service of transportation for the blind & visually impaired to their doctor appointments & grocery stores. This is a great ministry opportunity to those who like to drive, help those in need and have a bit of flexibility. To get more information see Katie Epley.

*KAIROS Prison Ministry Spring Weekend May 15-18<sup>th</sup>. Cookies are needed by Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Those wishing to attend the closing ceremony need to submit their application by 4 May.*

Please continue to submit any prayer requests for inclusion on the Prayer List. Please submit this if possible by Thursday.

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## Sermon Notes

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➤ We simply \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ Believing is not:

- Intellectual assent
- Relying on common sense
- Utilizing our reasoning ability
- Checking out conventional wisdom
- Garnering physical evidence

➤ How do we believe? \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Where does faith come from? \_\_\_\_\_

➤ What does faith lead to? \_\_\_\_\_

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