



Wilshire
BAPTIST CHURCH

April 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

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9:00 a.m.
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Chiming of the Hour

We gather in community this morning to worship God.
To help center our focus in worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Welcome to Worshipers

Maggie Morey

Centering Silence

One: We breathe in the breath of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Call to Worship

Maggie Morey

One: Beloveds, rejoice!

All: Systems of evil cannot overcome hope.

One: Forces of oppression cannot destroy love.

All: Alleluia! The Holy is alive within us!

One: Praise the God of New Life even amidst grief,

All: Praise the God of Possibility even when all seems lost,

One: Praise the God who is still at work in and among us.

All: The stone of despair has been rolled away.

One: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

+Congregational Song

It Is Well With My Soul

VILLE DU HAVRE

No. 573

Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

Gospel Reading — Luke 24:13-35

Timothy Peoples

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,

and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
And for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

Message

Timothy Peoples

Prayer Practice — A Joyful Noise

Amanda Hines

Passing of the Peace

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

This Joy That I Have

This joy (peace) that I have
The world didn't give it to me
This joy (peace) that I have
The world didn't give it to me

This joy (peace) that I have
The world didn't give it to me
The world didn't give it
The world can't take it away

Music for Meditation

Head Full of Doubt
Michael Sheaffer, Darren DeMent

The Avett Brothers

Sending

Timothy Peoples

Benediction

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One: God our maker, we honor the sacred multitude that resides in you.

All: May the guardian in you protect us. May the child in you delight in us.

One: May the friend in you challenge us. May your ashes resurrect us.

All: May your sky shelter us. May the mystery of you liberate us.

One: Provide abundance and healing in all forms to those who need it today.
And deliver us from shame, hatred, and the chains that bind us.

All: For you have made us, and we are still being made. Amen.



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