

ORDER OF WORSHIP - April 26, 2020

Gathering Thoughts:

*"And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?"
They stood still, looking sad." - Luke 24:17*

Prelude

Sharon Lehr

Call to Worship:

Leader: God calls us to worship, and we come!

People: Some with laughter and songs of joy. Some from a sense of obligation or habit.

Leader: Some with hearts heavy with grief. Some with distraction or exhaustion.

People: Some with eagerness or enthusiasm. Some with stress, loneliness or depression.

Leader: God calls us to worship, and we come!

**People: As God's dearly loved children, we bring all our joy and pain, hurt and hope
Into this place of Spirit-given grace, love, and hope.**

Unison Prayer:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

God of righteousness, God of mercy: We have been called through the apostles to live in reverent fear – not a fear that immobilizes, but a fear that empowers us because we know how much is at stake. We know there are implications for what we do and what we don't do. We dedicate our lives this morning to do the things your heart longs for your church to do; help our eyes to be opened to where you would use us. We pray in the name of our risen savior, Christ our Lord. Amen.

Opening Hymn:

"The Strife is O'er"

UM Hymnal # 306

Scripture:

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon:

"What are you discussing?"

Pastor Kent Jackson

Special Music

"Road To Emmaus" by Jason Upton

Performed by Eric Stark
from Word of Life Church

The Offering Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn:

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

UM Hymnal # 133

Benediction

Postlude

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