

South Joplin
Christian Church



April 28, 2024



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Order of Worship

Prelude and Entrance of the Light

Amy Gates, Pianist/Organist

Welcome

Pastor Carroll

Call to Worship

One: Creator God, we praise you!

All: Risen Christ, we greet you!

Tree of Life, we belong to you; we are part of you.

Vine of Love, we need you. You nourish us.

May we be deeply rooted in you, your spirit flowing through us.

Abide in us, that we may bear the fruit of your love.

May your perfect love cast out our fear.

By your grace prune what is not loving in us.

Come, holy vinedresser, and renew your life in us.

Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us by your grace. Alleluia!

Steve Garnaas-Holmes; Unfoldinglight.net

Opening Songs

“My Life Is in You, Lord”

Chalice Praise #17

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“Majesty”

Chalice Praise #50

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Invitation to Prayer (You may light candles at either station to aid in your personal prayer time prior to corporate prayer. Leave written requests in the offering plate by the sanctuary entrance. The Elder will offer a blessing with oil at the front of the chancel.)

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

Pastor Carroll

Special Music

“What a Wonderful World (with This is My Father’s World)”

Shari Cullumber

Arranged by John D. Miller, © 1967 Range Road Music, Inc. and Quartet Music, Inc.

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-8 (NRSV*)

Darlene Coit

Sermon

“Bearing Fruit”

Pastor Carroll

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Hymn of Preparation

“Alleluia! Hear God’s Story”

Chalice Hymnal #330

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Communion Meditation and Prayer

Leanna Carrol, Elder

Words of Institution

Pastor Carroll

Participation (Please come forward to partake at one of two stations before returning to your pew by the center aisle. Notify the diaconate if you prefer to be served while seated.)

Offertory

Leanna Carrol, Elder

Mission Challenge and Announcements

Pastor Carroll

Closing Circle; The Light Goes Before Us

(Please join us as we form a circle inside the sanctuary, holding hands if comfortably able, and sing the benediction to each other.)

“Grace, Love, and Fellowship”

May the grace of Christ, our Savior,
and the Love of God, our Father,
and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.


May the grace of Christ our Savior,
and the Love of God, our Father,
and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.

Forever, and ever, forevermore, Amen.

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Postlude

Amy Gates



We worship in spirit today with Global Ministries Mission focus for Korea. Our prayer partners for Korea are National Council of Churches in Korea; Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea; and Hanshin University. For more information go to www.globalministries.org

This Week at South Joplin Christian Church

Wednesday, May 1	9:30 am - Noon - CWF 6:30 pm Choir
Saturday, May 4	10:00 am Interfaith Panel
Sunday, May 5	9:30 am Adult Faith Formation 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 am Worship/CW&W/Kid's Church After Worship - Congregational Mtg. 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection

Refreshing Our Inner Spirit - Women's Retreat

May 25, 2024 - 8:30-12:30 (approx.) - Peace Lutheran Church

We would like to invite you to a morning "Retreat" to refresh, relax, engage, converse, think, move, and just be with each other for this informative experience. Our morning will start with a light breakfast (8:30), after which we will enjoy a session of "Motion to Music". Following that our first speaker, Robin Blair, discusses the topic of Self Care/Awareness. Next is a guided meditation session with Becky Brown, before we retreat to "Tea time" conversations. Our final speaker, Ellen Broglio, will offer her thoughts on a study she is currently working on, in line with our overall theme. If the weather cooperates, we may spend a short time outdoors learning about our native plants. As time allows, we have a few other options to share with our attendees, such as "our favorite things" table to which you may contribute, along with a "comments" list (think movie or book review) to be shared with all. We will look forward to hearing from you with your RSVP. We will need a final count by May 22, 2024 to prepare adequate food for the day. Please respond to Leanna Carrol 417-529-2787 or Patt Hinds 417-392-0307.