

St. Paul, Hurst Worship Guide

April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

Numbered references are to *The United Methodist Hymnal (UMH)*.

† Please stand as you are able. **Boldfaced** words are voiced in unison.

CHIMES (Please be seated. Thank you for silencing your phone.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodney Holt

Good morning! I'm Rodney Holt, and I'd like to welcome you to St. Paul Hurst. Whether you are worshipping with us online or in-person in the Sanctuary, we are glad you are here.

If you are worshipping with us online, we invite you to "like" or "comment" on the Facebook video, so we know you here.

We would also like to extend an extra warm welcome to any guests joining us this morning.

We encourage you to fill out the connect card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate, and we will send you a sweet treat during the week. We also invite you to stop by our Welcome Table right outside the Sanctuary doors and to the right. We have a small gift there to thank you for being here today.

If you have children, know they are welcome in worship, and we believe the sound of children in worship is a blessing! God gave them the wiggles and giggles, don't feel the need to suppress them in God's house. We do have a nursery available if you or child needs or desires it.

Now, as you listen to the prelude, we invite you to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE

Dr. Bruce McDonald

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Rodney Holt

Please rise in body or spirit for the call to worship

L: Come, all who are heavy laden, and God will give you rest.

P: Our burden is heavy and our load is great.

L: Lay down pain, anger, resentment and grudge and take up new freedom in Christ Jesus.

P: It is not easy to forget when we have been hurt by those we love or wronged by strangers.

L: The call to forgive is ongoing and the path of reconciliation comes through embracing the unconditional love of God.

P: We have come today to let go, to walk forward and experience something different, by loving as we have been loved and seeking to forgive as we have been forgiven. Let us worship the God of love together. Amen.

†HYMN <i>I Saw The Light</i>	Guitar Choir
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Brittany Board
ANTHEM <i>Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace</i>	Chancel Choir
PASTORAL & LORD'S PRAYER	Kellye Johnson
†HYMN <i>Change My Heart O God</i>	All
OUR MINISTRY TOGETHER Stewardship	Jim Wilson
OFFERTORY PRAYER	Tyler Nutter
OFFERTORY MUSIC	
†DOXOLOGY	All

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen

SCRIPTURE Matthew 18:21-27	Pastor Katie Newkirk
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²¹ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, how many times should I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Should I forgive as many as seven times?"

²² Jesus said, "Not just seven times, but rather as many as seventy-seven times."²³ Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle accounts, they brought to him a servant who owed him ten thousand bags of gold. ²⁵ Because the servant didn't have enough to pay it back, the master ordered that he should be sold, along with his wife and children and everything he had, and that the proceeds should be used as payment. ²⁶ But the servant fell down, kneeled before him, and said, 'Please, be patient with me, and I'll pay you back.' ²⁷ The master had compassion on that servant, released him, and forgave the loan.

MESSAGE TITLE Limitless Forgiveness	Pastor Katie Newkirk
INVITATION & Announcements	Pastor Katie Newkirk

Flutissimo- Congratulations to the Flutissimo Flute Choir. They will be making their 8th appearance at the National Flute Convention in August in San Antonio. This is a great honor. They won the opportunity to perform via audition.

The Table- *Wednesday, April 17th from 5:00-6:30 p.m.* In the fellowship Hall. All are welcome to join us for this weekly home cooked meal and faith discussion World Religions and Christianity. The menu will Risky's BBQ sandwiches with sides and desserts

Burgers and Bingo- *Friday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center-* We are hosting a Burgers and Bingo Night, featuring a free burger dinner, prizes, and Bingo with an awesome guest DJ and Bingo caller! All ages are welcome and invited to join. Please invite your friends, family, and neighbors. We are currently accepting donations for \$5-10 Bingo prizes. If you have a \$5-10 gift card or a fun prize you would like to donate, bring it to the church office.

†**HYMN** (UMH 310) *He Lives*

All

BLESSING AND SENDING

Pastor Katie Newkirk

POSTLUDE

Dr. Bruce McDonald

*Please remain seated as we listen to the Dr. Bruce play the postlude

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