Welcome to Worship

Today, Pastor Mark speaks to us about Paul's message of encouragement from 1 Thessalonians 4.

April 19, 2015

A Vision of

Faith, Hope and Love

A Community of Faith,
Transforming our city
with Hope and
Embracing our world
with Love.

Our Pastor: Mark Hofman

Our Ministers:
All Our Members

Sunday Schedule

9:30 am	Adult Bible Study
10:30 am	Family Worship
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour
1:00 pm	Choir Practice



... And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage each other with these words.



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Order of Worship for April 19, 2015

Prelude

Offering

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Mark

Call to Worship: Revelation 21:1-4 (p. 1302)

**Praise Songs: "I Serve a Risen Savior" (vs. 1-3) The Choir

"He Is King of Kings" "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" (v. 1-3)

**God's Greeting

Pastor Mark

Anthem: "There Is Joy in the Lord"

God's Will for Our Lives: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 57-58

Song: "Zion, Founded on the Mountain" (Blue 166)

Prayers of the People

Pastor Mark

For General Fund

§ If you would like your offering to go to another cause, please indicate it on your check or a white pew envelope. § If you are a first time guest or returning visitor, please fill out a "Welcome Card" and place it in the Offering Basket as your gift.

Offertory Keiko

**Offering Response: "What Shall I Render to the Lord"

(Blue 230 vs. 1&4)

Children are dismissed for Kids Connection

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (p. 1239) Pastor Mark

Sermon: "Encouraging Hope"

**Song: "By the Sea of Crystal" (vs. 1-3)

**Blessing Pastor Mark

**Doxology: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" (vs. 4)

Postlude Keiko

We are now in the period of the "Great Fifty Days" between Easter Sunday and Pentecost Sunday known as Eastertide. This season is designed for extended celebration, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation and for joyful Christian living. The display of the Easter banners and the white mantle on the cross communicate the power of the Resurrection both accomplished and still to come.

^{~~} Please use the back of a "Welcome Card" for any prayer requests you may have, and place it in the Offering Basket.

^{~~} Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for refreshments, then stay for our hosted lunch.