

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE *Nouvelle Etude, No 2* F. Chopin

INTROIT *Spring Prayer* Caldwell

OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING -- #432 *May We Be*
The Chalice lighter this morning is Amelia Shaw

*HYMN Number 115 (standing) *God of Grace*

RESPONSIVE READING #651 *The Body is Human Kind*

* SONG OF EXALTATION (standing) Genevan Psalter, 1551

All people that on earth do dwell,

Sing ye to God with cheerful voice;

Come serve with mirth, God's praise forth tell.

Join ye together and rejoice. Amen.

READING *Bombarding the Senses* Henri Nouwen

* INTERLUDE *Prelude, Op. 28 No 7* F. Chopin

READING "*Fragile*" A Song by Sting

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

MOMENTS OF SILENCE (A time for prayer and contemplation.)

ANTHEM *The Drinking Gourd* —arr. Andre Thomas
A Traditional Spiritual that is also a map song.

OFFERTORY *Nocturne, Op. 72, No. 1, Post,* F. Chopin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN Number 159 (Standing) *This is My Song*

SERMON *Does Non-Violence Really Work?*
Rev. Brooks Ramsey

CHORAL RESPONSE *Go in Peace* Hal H. Hopson

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Prelude, Op. 28 No 9* F. Chopin

(*) Persons may be seated at these times.

Please leave the back pews vacant for members and friends who have difficulty negotiating the steps.

Request Large Print Hymnals & Assisted Hearing Devices from ushers.

Web Site: Check it out as www.churchoftheriver.org. If your newsletter is late you can read the electronic one at our web site, check the calendar or download the podcast. While on the web site, you can click on the Facebook and Twitter icons to engage with us on those two social networking sites for the latest news and discussions.

A Crying Room is available in the Beacon Room (library) of the Channing Wing. You can hear and see the sermon while comforting the little one.

To receive the newsletter and/or have a nametag, please visit the welcoming table at the back of the church to sign our guest register.

The Care Coordinator for April is Anne Thompson. You can reach Anne at 685-5614.

What are you called to do? Five opportunities: (1) Soup Kitchen (Dan Bing at 763-2384); (2) COR meals-on-wheels (Jeane Umbreit at 374-9114); (3) Shady Grove Elementary (Juliet Wischmeyer at 219-5817) (4) Hospitality Hub (Ellen Klyce at 323-0123); Manna House (Nancy Walton at 685-2499).

Sunday Morning Groups: The Quest Group meets in the Beacon Room at 9:30 a.m. to ponder "The Bible—Down and Dirty." **Questions of Faith** meets at 10 a.m. in the Beatrix Potter Wing. They are discussing "*The Seven Deadly Sins Today*." For information contact Carol Straughn at 387-4850.

Alliance Bookshelf in the Mississippi River Room. The bookshelf in the corner of the Mississippi River Room, over behind the café tables is due for a big clean out. There are lots of good books on the shelves, from classics to the latest thriller. Hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks are .50 so it's a rare bargain in books these days. Check it out after the service and select the books you want before the big clean out.

Learn How you can be an up-stander and a peace bringer by engaging in Children's Ministry here at the Church of the River. "If we are to reach real peace in this world....we shall have to begin with the children." Gandhi. Sign up to work with our children this Sunday. Sign up sheets will be in the breezeway weather permitting or inside if the wind is blowing or the rain is falling.

Want to be an art juror? On April 29th from 9:00—10:30 a.m. join some of your COR friends in volunteering to be a juror at the Shady Grove student art show. This is a great chance to interact with students from our adopted school. No experience necessary! You will see some delightful art work and interview the proud student artists, an experience bound to enrich both your lives. Please contact Juliet Wischmeyer at 219-5917 or register directly online at