FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
April 27, 2014
Second Sunday of Easter

Those who are able may stand where marked (*).

Gathering Music #612 "In This Very Room"

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading: *1 Peter 1:3-9*

One: We thank you, generous and loving God,
for your gift of new life in Jesus.

**All: He died and you raised him from the grave,
so that we, who belong to him, may have
new birth, new hope, new life that will never fade.**

One: Even though we still have to walk through our trials—
hardships that help us refine our faith,
sufferings that work like fire on gold,
to purify, to strengthen, to deepen our faith—

**All: Even though we still have to walk through fire
to purify our faith in Jesus, still we love him,
we honor him, we wait with indescribable
and glorious joy for the outcome of faith—
the salvation of our souls. Hallelujah! Amen.**

*Hymn #408 "How Firm a Foundation"

Anthem "Cantate Domino" *Mozart*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration
(please fill out a blue card in the pew)
Pastoral Prayer
Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Music
*Doxology #815
*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #444 "I Love to Tell the Story"

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Sermon: "for those who have not seen"

*Hymn #393 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*Benediction

*Response #138 "Holy Ground"

*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude