

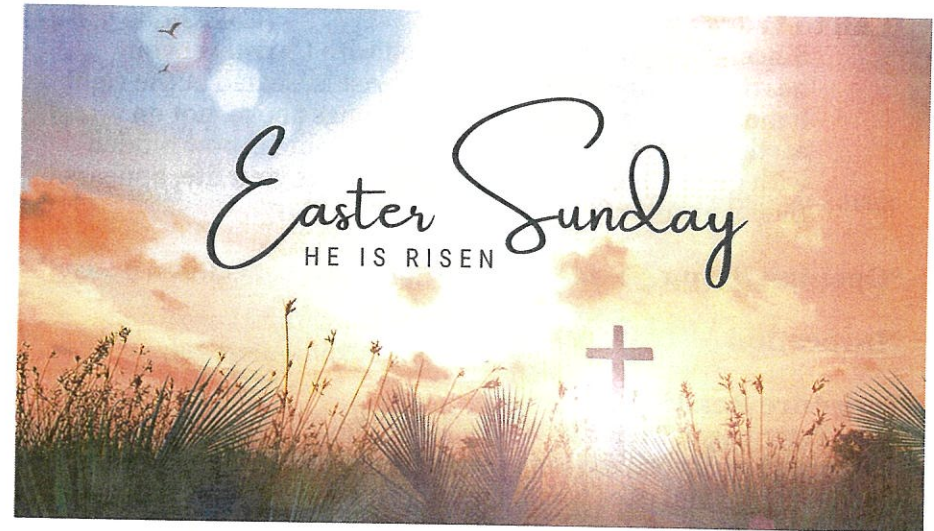
Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship downstairs in Corey Hall and we would love to share a coffee and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate or use the QR code below.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Sunday School is offered during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Children's Time. Youth Group Sunday School is also offered for children in 6th grade and up every other Sunday. See our calendar for the schedule. You are welcome to join your child in the class, have your child remain with you during the service, or send them off to class.

It is good to have you here. Welcome.



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Church* IN VICTOR
WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



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Easter Sunday

***Please stand if you are able.**

Prelude “The Strife is O’er, the Battle Won” arr. by Cindy Berry

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship** *(Colossians 3:1-4)*
Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

***Opening Hymn No. 123** “Jesus Christ is Risen Today!”

***Invocation**

Scripture Reading *Acts 10:34-43*
Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

“We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Union Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Passing the Peace**

Children’s Time

Anthem “The Day of Resurrection” arr. By Evelyn Larter

Choir: Rev. Jimmy Reader, Rev. Joy Bergfalk, Ruth Dreste ,
Tom Lichti, Sue Toomey, Steve Song, Larry Teel,
Sue Delmonico, Katie McGahey

Unison Prayer for Illumination

**Eternal God,
your Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible
and enlightens us to hear your Word fresh each
day. Help us to rely always on your promises in
Scripture. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

Scripture *Matthew 28:1-10*
After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”

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Scripture (cont.)

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Sermon "God's Great April Fool's Joke"

***Hymn of Response No. 108** "Christ Is Alive!"

***Offering**
Doxology

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**
God of all goodness and grace,
receive the gifts we offer;
and grant that our whole life may
give you glory and praise; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

***Communion Hymn GTG No. 250 (insert)**
"In the Bulb There is a Flower" (Hymn of Promise)

Communion

***The Lord's Prayer**
Please form a circle, join hands, and sing The Lord's Prayer.

Benediction

***Postlude** "Festive Postlude on "Llanfair" by Mary McDonald

**Thank you to these members who are
helping with worship today-**

AV: Bill Martz

Liturgist: Clay Girouard

Fellowship: Karen Tripp & Alison Simpson

**Upcoming Church & Community
events to add to your calendars:
*details on each event in your eNews***

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 9th

Easter Sunday

9:20 am Choir Rehearsal
10 am Sunday Worship w/communion
11:15 am Fellowship Hour
7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon meetings

Tuesday, April 11th

9:30 am Free Panera
7 pm Bridge Class
7 pm Session Meeting

Thursday, April 13th

Noon Bridge Class

Saturday, April 15th

10-3 pm GV Handspinners
5-6:30 pm Community Dinner (Chili)

Sunday, April 16th

10 am Sunday Worship w/ Youth Group
11:15 am Fellowship Hour, Lent Book Study
7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon meetings



Mark your calendars!

Spring Clean-Up Day
at the church will be following
worship on **Sunday, April 23rd.**

Yard work and painting/cleaning
opportunities inside. Feel free to
wear cleaning attire to church.



The Lilies that Grace our Sanctuary were donated by:

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We are always in need of **Greeters AND Coffee Hour helpers** on Sunday mornings and **communion helpers!**

There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center to sign-up there, or use the link in your eNews.
