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Madison Presbyterian Church

APRIL, 2018 — 10:00 A.M.

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY

The * indicates when to rise in body or in spirit.

GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD! WE ARE BOUND TOGETHER BY THE LOVE OF GOD AND BY CONCERN FOR EACH OTHER AND FOR THE WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE.

PRELUDE "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" Willan

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad at this time.
Please note prayer requests and announcements.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since Christ has extended to us the peace of God, let us, as his disciples, spread his peace to others.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another in peace.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

R: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

L: This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

R: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

PRAYER LIST

Congregation: Sharon Auxier, Mary Louise Grimes, Tony Harrell, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Beth Orrill, Harriette Parton, Staci Torres, Greg Ziesemer.

Family and Friends: Steve Aldridge, Lester Auxier, Mike Baker (Mary Davee's brother), Michelle Barlow, Lloyd Bell, Robert Black, Carol Blasdel, Donna Bowman, Todd Bredenkamp, Connie Brink, Mike Brown, Chris Browning, Michael Busching, Becky Chase, Mike Cope, Sherry Craddock, Marie Cross, Susan DeLapp, Hilary Drake, Kathy Dunn, Phillip Eades, Don Firth, Erik, Trish Frye, Jessica Garvey and family, Pat Goley, Jo Gray, Shirley Griffith, Charles "Pogie" Grooms, Chuck Hale, Peggy Hans, Millie Harness, Ryker Harris, Brittany Henry, Bob Hudson, Bill Hughes, Helen Hunt, James Jackson, Lois Jackson, Curtis Jacobs, Brittney Johnson and family, Ruth Johnson, Vince Johnson and his wife Mary Jean Woodburn, Kaya Kabota, Candy Kahn and family, Michael Sean Kugler, Paul Limato, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's brother), Steve Livingston, Terra Louis, Jason Mace, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Mary McClure, Tabatha Melton, Gaye Mill, Jeanine Hill Moran, Gary and Geneva Napier, Muriel Newcomb, Pam, Joy Parks, Wanda Payton, Frank Pearson, Nak Phok, Jennifer Poggel, Michelle Powers, Jim Render (brother of Judith Glass), Roberto, Jim Risk, Cora Russell, Susan Schafer and family, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Donna and Travis Smith and family, Jessica Smith, Laryssa Smith, Linda Spann, Therese Spence, Tiana Stockton and family, Roy Stone, Jody Sullivan, Mary Lynn Summerfeld, Denver Taylor, Trey Taylor, Doug Vaughn, Peggy Voris and family, Buddy Waller, Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Jaye Weaver, Tom Weber, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Sue Williams, Nick Wyne.

MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar for the Week of April 1

Katie Mix

Sandy Schaerli

Jeffrey Vaughn II

Charlie Elizabeth

You are invited to join members and friends for Fellowship Time immediately after the benediction response. If you wish to stay and listen to the postlude, please feel free to remain in your seat.

Liturgy taken and adapted from “Feasting on the Word Worship Companion,” John Knox Press, Copyright 2014.

Welcome!

Thank you for being with us in worship. If you are new in the area or are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us for worship, fellowship, study and service.



A nursery is available for young children. If you are unfamiliar with the location of the nursery, please ask an usher.

LITURGIST — Libby Sheppard

USHERS — Tim Busching and Don Clapham

GREETERS — Connie Huntington and Christie Busching

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS—The Deacons

ELDERS SERVING COMMUNION—Jim Bartlett, Mike Dorsey, Katie Mathews, and Natalie Willis

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK — 103

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sins together.

THE UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and God of glory, we confess that there are times when we struggle to believe in the victory over death shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Our faith and hope are shaken by events in our lives and in our world. The voice of your love and power is drowned out by bad news and hurtful circumstances.

We are sorry for our lack of faith in you. Help us to see all you bring to our lives, all that sustains us and gives birth to new life. Forgive us and transform us that in every way our lives will reflect the message of this day. This we pray in Jesus’ name.

(A time of silence is observed.)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Christ is Risen! There is new life everywhere. There is Good News everywhere. There is nothing lost that cannot be found, no dark place where light cannot shine, no awful past that cannot lead to a bright future. You are God’s beloved; you are a child of the resurrection. Live into the hope and promise of Christ, knowing you are forgiven and loved. Amen.

R: Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.**

Amen. Amen.

HEARING GOD’S WORD

THE UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Open our eyes and soften our hearts, O God, through the work of your Holy Spirit that, in the hearing of your Word, we may receive new life. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 10: 34-43 N.T. 129

ANTHEM “Hallelujah” Beethoven

Hallelujah unto God’s Almighty Son.
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs,
in holy songs of joy.
Man proclaim his grace and glory.

THE TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE SECOND LESSON Mark 16: 1-8 N.T. 54-55

THE SERMON “The Closure Alternative”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*HYMN “The Day of Resurrection” 233

*THE APOSTLES’ CREED 35

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING AND DEACONS’ OFFERING

Offertory “Russian Easter” Rimsky-Korsakov

Offerings

*Doxology 606

*The Unison Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, you shower us with gifts so abundant that we cannot measure them all. You give us life itself and, through your Son, the gift of eternal life. Bless these gifts for the sake of the Gospel and its work in the world. This we pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer 35
(using “debts” and debtors”)

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of the Elements

The Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord, we give you thanks for the hope we have in Jesus, who died but has risen. We praise you for his presence with us in this sacrament. Because he lives, we look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate us from your great love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN “Lift High the Cross” 826

Those wishing to join the choir in singing the Hallelujah Chorus will please come forward during the final hymn. Scores will be provided.

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Hallelujah Chorus” Handel

Hallelujah!

For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become
The kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;
and He shall reign for ever and ever.
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.