

April 17, 2022

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

**You are invited to stand as you are able and willing.*

HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

Prelude

Seasonal Easter Music

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: This is the good news - the grave is empty, Christ is risen!

*P: **HALLELUJAH!***

L: This is the good news - the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

*P: **HALLELUJAH!***

L: This is the good news - once we were no people, now we are God's people

*P: **HALLELUJAH!***

L: Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

*All: **HALLELUJAH!***

***Opening Hymn:** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" UMH# 302

Opening Prayer (In unison)

Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and also

be made partakers of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the Christ's Church for Others and Ourselves

(Sharing Our Joys and Concerns)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Children's Time

"Jesus Loves Me"

UMH#191

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem

"EASTER SONG" by Oley Speaks

vocal selection by Joanne Kant

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Message: "Easter People, God's People!" Pastor Fern Blair Hart

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***Hymn:** "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH #304

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy One, we are tired and a little terrified. We do not understand the confusing world around us. It is easier to live

in the darkness than to walk in the light. Forgive us. Open our eyes to see your presence among us. Open our hearts to perceive the risen Christ walking toward us. Fill our hearts with amazement, wonder and hope. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

+Exchange of Signs of the Peace of the Risen Christ

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts to the Glory of God

Offertory "Crown Him, the Risen King", by Lloyd Larson

Choral Anthem Selection

+Doxology. "Glory Be To the Father"

Prayer of Dedication (In unison)

God of abundance, we offer these gifts to you in thanksgiving and joy for the presence of the living Christ. May these gifts bring new life to those both near and far. And may we offer ourselves in service to you and to one another. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

**Sending Hymn: "To Thine Be The Glory" UMH # 308*

Benediction

Postlude "Hallelujah Chorus" by G.F.Handel

Lections for April 24, 2022:

Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

Please join us for ***Weekly Prayer Time*** via ZOOM on Wednesday's from 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm - stay for a little or stay for the whole time.

Jesse Lee United Methodist Church

EASTER!

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