



Our Mission: To serve and unite those we touch with the Grace of God.

Our Vision: Transforming lives to become the heart, hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

*Please stand as you are able in body or spirit.

April 24, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. Service

Second
Sunday
of
Easter



*Wearing
of masks
is now
optional.*

Prelude

“At the Rising of the Sun”

- Paxton

Greeting and Announcements

Introit

“For Life Restored”

- Butler

Call to Worship - *by Rev. Thom Shuman

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,

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But we see him in the lives

of those transformed by grace.

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

But we have seen him in the faces

of everyone whose love encourages us.

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

But we have been called to bring healing to the scarred of the world.

***Hymn #318/UMH** “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing” verses 1, 2 and 5

Opening Prayer - *in Unison*

O living Christ, as the good news of Easter energized your first disciples to establish dynamic Christian communities, so energize us to dynamic life within our congregation.

As your Spirit gave them courage to stand tall before the powers of this world, so empower us to proclaim your gospel and struggle for justice and peace. By your presence with us now, make us one in love and mission. Amen.

Anthem

“In Christ Alone”

by Getty, Townend, Craig & Koch
- arr. Harlan

A Time with God’s Kids

Centering Prayer/A Time of Silence

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31 NRSV trans

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and

my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Message

Guest Preacher - Pete Greening

Prayers of the People

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, thy 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. And the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

“Joy Dawns Again”

- 17th Century

***Doxology UMH#94**

Offertory Prayer

***Hymn #304**

“Easter People Raise Your Voices “ verses 1 and 3

***Benediction**

Guest Preacher - Pete Greening

***Song of Peace Peace**

Go in peace, my friend, till we meet again.
May God’s blessing be on you, may you be a blessing too.
May God’s Spirit burning bright, be your ever-guiding light.
God go with you, making all things new.

Postlude

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

- arr. Larson

Please watch for **quarterly statements** in your mailbox next Sunday, May 1st. Thanks.



Lynn Kilian is retiring from her janitorial position at the church. We are currently looking for someone to fill this part-time, paid position. We ask that the church be cleaned once a week and this can be done at a time that is convenient for the applicant. If interested please contact the office at the information at the bottom of this page. Thank you.



- We find ourselves in need of individuals to help with children's Sunday School which occurs during the Sunday Service. Currently Roy Koenigsberg and Toni Timmerman are heading this up but could use some assistance. Please contact the office if interested. See bottom of page four for contact information.
- Due to dwindling numbers, we also need people who would be willing to work the sound board for the Sunday services. Training would be provided and you could observe for as long as needed. Again, contact the office if you are willing to volunteer for this opportunity.
- PLEASE consider signing up to bring treats for the fellowship coffee time following the 10:00 a.m. service. A sign-up is located on the table in the narthex as well as information on amounts to bring, etc. Let's keep this nice social gathering going.

UPCOMING EVENT: Pastor Amanda is on the Board of Directors for the End in Mind Project funded by Cathy Wurzer of MPR. They are holding an interview-style conversation with author Richard Leider on April 28th in Golden Valley, Minnesota. Kindly see April's Grace Notes for more details regarding this event.

FYI: There are flyers regarding rentals at The Overlook on Crystal Lake Apartments complex on the table in the Narthex. If interested, or know of anyone interested, kindly help yourself to a flyer.

WORSHIP HELPERS: Serving us **TODAY** ~ 10:00 a.m. service: Greeter: Rhonda Brown; Usher: Rick Fossum; Sound: Tom Litterer; Liturgist: Laurie Sanders; Acolyte: Braxton Holder;

WORSHIP HELPERS: Serving us **May 1st** ~ Greeter: Alvera Zenisek; Usher: Cara Kennedy; Sound: Ed Sanders; Liturgist: James Milne; Acolyte: Alaina Chmielewski; Communion: Alvera Zenisek, Claire and Corrine Stopford;

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