

PRELUDE *He Is Risen, He Is Risen!* arr. Wolfgang Hiltscher (1913-1941)
Jesus Christ Is Risen, arr. Healey Willan (1880-1968) (Concordia Publishing Co.)
Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing, arr. Gordon Young (1919-1998) (Hope Publishing)

WELCOME and PASSING OF THE PEACE

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

The Peace of Christ be with you.... **And also with you.**

INVOCATION

Though we have known hardship and pain,
though life has not always turned out as we had hoped,
we will stand here and say:

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Though life becomes more complex,
the deepest questions remain unanswered,
and the mystery of faith deepens, we will say:

God's steadfast love endures forever!

And though the pain of the world
often seems more than we can bear or address,
we will stand firm in our faith and say:

God's steadfast love endures forever!

HYMN NCH 233 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

During the hymn, everyone is invited to bring flowers forward to the vases on the chancel.

SCRIPTURE *Psalm 150, Acts 5:27-32*

MUSICAL REFLECTION *Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day*
Words: Latin, 5th c. / Music: German carol, 15th c.

SERMON *John 20:19-31*

SILENT REFLECTION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

We pray for health and strength for Pasha Buck, Molly Campe, George Drake, Betty Anne Francis, Gene McCaw, and Gayle Strickler.

We pray for comfort and peace for Orlan Mitchell and family. Verlene passed away on April 10th.

We pray for comfort and peace for Jerry Robert's family and friends. Jerry passed away on February 5th.

PASTORAL PRAYER

When Thomas touched the wounds and set himself free
it was Easter day

When Peter's three "yes's" to Jesus finished his three denials
it was Easter day

When Mary ready to embalm the dead ran in fear from the empty tomb
it was Easter day

When the disciples looked from afar at a breakfast of fish on the beach
it was Easter day

When Emmaus became synonymous with welcome and the breaking of bread with strangers
it was Easter day

When Paul was blinded by the light and recognized the voice niggling in his head
it was Easter day

When the hungry are fed at the table, the same table as the rich
it is Easter day

When weapons are beaten to plowshares and peace is a word to be shouted
it is Easter day

When the stranger is welcomed in community and the lonely are restored to relationship
it is Easter day...

LORD'S PRAYER *(Inclusive Version)*

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother

Holy is your name. May your love be enacted in the world.

May your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth,

and the fullness of love that will be

are yours, now and forever. Amen.

GRATITUDE FOR OFFERING & DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost

HYMN NCH 245 *The Day of Resurrection*

BENEDICTION

Living God,

You appeared to your disciples in their hour of fear,
and offered them your peace to still their hearts.

May we open our arms to be living hope in the world today,
bringing peace to those living in fear, including ourselves.

Give us courage to be bold in what we believe;

may we hold firm to your promise of life and hope, and strive for a new world,
free from poverty, injustice and conflict.

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

Amen.

POSTLUDE *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*, arr. Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

ANNOUNCEMENT: *Pastor Jessica and the Governing Board cordially invite you to attend a **Congregational Conversation and Vote** to Extend a Call to Dr. Henry W. Morisada Rietz, **next Sunday, April 24**, during fellowship time in Friendship Hall. This will be an opportunity to chat with Henry, ask questions, hear from the Governing Board and representatives from the Central Association Committee on Ministry about their recommendation.*

EASTER LILY DONATIONS

In loving memory of Charlie and John Bethel, Fred and Josephine Jones
Esther Bethel

In loving memory of Charlie and John Bethel, Don and Audrey Pederson
Anne and Eric Pederson and family

In loving memory of David and Dennis Haas
Tommy Haas and family

In loving memory of Judy Kuehl
Lyle Kuehl and family

***In loving memory of Jewel Kintzinger, John Kintzinger,
Burt Day, Katherine Kramer & Warren Kintzinger,
Lester & Evelyn Wendt***
Doug, Stuart, Rachel and Wendy Kintzinger & Family

Worship Resources

Invocation ~ written by Ann Siddall, and posted on the website of the Stillpoint Spirituality Centre. <http://www.stillpointsa.org.au/>

Pastoral Prayer ~ written by Roddy Hamilton, and posted on Mucky Paws.
<http://www.nkchurch.org.uk/index.php/mucky-paws>

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Benediction ~ from the *Monthly Prayers* page of the Christian Aid website. <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>



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Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022

To Grow in Love of God and Neighbor

Worship Participants

Pastor	Rev. Jessica Margrave Schirm
Liturgist	Henry Rietz
Musicians	Treble Vocal Ensemble; Carolyn Brickley, trumpet
Organist	Kenneth Davis
Artist	Edd Scheer
Worship Hosts	JoAnn Britton, Nancy Brown, Jeananne Schild
Tech Team	Barbara and John Ashby, Dave Eberbach, Josh Sandquist
Sunday Drivers	Rick Ramsey, George Britton, Denny Conway, Shane Estes, John Noer
Chancel Care	Sarah White, Glenyce Conway, Karen Edwards, Sue Ramsey, Oliva Wright