





A community center in Christ,
gathering in love,
growing by grace,
going forth to serve.

Welcome!

We're glad YOU are here!

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP • April 1, 2018 • 11:00am

Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of the Lord

OPENING PRAISE

Welcome & Call to Worship (Leader/People)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Opening Songs of Praise

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (He is Not Dead)

Charles Wesley, Kurtis Parks, Samuel Arnold, 2014

Mighty to Save

Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan, 2006

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We come, O Lord, on this day of glory to confess our lack of trust.

While we sing of Your reign over all creation, we have too often acted as though You are powerless in our daily lives. By taking matters into our own hands, we have hurt others, ignored those in need, created our own idols and disobeyed Your will.

Forgive us. Help us to trust You are always at work. Help us to live by seeking Your will in our daily lives. Help us to love You with our whole heart, mind and strength. Amen.

(silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness (Leader/People)

This is the good news – the grave is empty. Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

This is the good news – once we were no people;
now we are God's Resurrection People.

Alleluia!

This is the good news – even when we were dead in our sin, God,
who is rich in mercy, raised us up and made us alive with Christ.
It is by grace we have been saved.

Alleluia!

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Song of Thanksgiving

Te Amo (I Love You)

Israel Houghton, 2005

Passing of the Peace of Christ (Leader/People)

Joyful is the sound we make this morning!

For this day liberates us from doubt and fear.

Thankful is the song we sing!

For this day moves us past darkness and despair.

Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!

For this day awakens in us long-awaited new life.

Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name,

I am there among them."

Christ lives here and now. He is among us at every moment!

May his peace and presence be known to you.

And also to you.

Let us greet one another with expressions of Christ's love & peace!

COMMUNITY

Welcome & Announcements

HEARING THE WORD

Dramatic Scripture

John 20:1-18

Message

Coming To and From Easter

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All who seek the Lord and are open to receiving the grace of God
are invited to take communion.

The bread and cup are gluten-free.

(You are invited to place your offering in the plate as you come forward.)

Ministers
The People

Preacher
Rev. Dale Chapin

Scripture
Susan Smetzer-Anderson

Communion Servers
Martha Henderson
David Grigg
Andrea Lawson

**Worship Director,
Piano & Vocals**
Natalie Handley

Vocals
John Itson

Synth, Vocals
Matt Sally

Acoustic Guitar, Vocals
Derek Handley

Electric Guitar
Samuel Acuña

Bass Guitar, Vocals
Mary Strait

Drums
Steve Porter

Trumpet
Daniel Cross

Slides
Jess Reed

**Audio-Visual
Coordinator**
Bryan Yates

First Impressions Team
Rachael Jost
Guy & Eve Van
Rensselaer
Cheryl Shult

Communion Music

Redeemer Nicole C. Mullen, 2000

Who taught the sun where to stand in the morning? And who told the ocean "You can only come this far" and who showed the moon where to hid 'til evening? Whose words alone can catch a falling star?

Refrain: Well I know my Redeemer lives! I know my Redeemer lives. All of creation testifies, this life within me cries. I know my Redeemer lives.

The very same God that spins things in orbit runs to the weary, the worn and the weak. And the same gentle hands that hold me when I'm broken, they conquered death to bring me victory! *(Refrain)*

He lives to take away my shame. And He lives! Forever I'll proclaim that the payment for my sin was the precious life He gave. But now He's alive and there's an empty grave. *(Refrain)*

Affirmation of Faith *(in unison)*

This is the gospel which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:

**that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. This we believe, God.**

Help us in our unbelief. Amen.

Closing Song

Cornerstone Myrin, Morgan, liljero, Bradbury, 2011

Blessing

Stay after worship for an Easter Celebration!

You are invited to a social time in Gathering Hall immediately after worship! Meet new friends and visit with old friends over coffee and treats.

There will also be an Easter egg hunt for the children in the Chapel!

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