

## Calendar

Today-Adult Sunday school 10:30 am

22-Men's Bible study 6am

25-Men's Group 8am

26-Worship 9am

## Announcements

Special thank you to Susan Toftey for leading our service.

## Prayers

Pat Fisher-recent diagnoses of returning cancer

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# Gather

## United Presbyterian Church

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\*please stand if able

Thank you for choosing to  
worship with us today...

*We are glad you are here!*

***WE INVITE EVERYONE TO JOIN  
US FOR FELLOWSHIP  
FOLLOWING OUR SERVICE***

## Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Open The Eyes of My Heart

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 116)

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,**  
in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

**Praise the Lord!**

\*Opening Song Come, Christians, Join to Sing #150

\*Opening Prayer

1 Peter 1:21 says, "Through Christ you have come to trust in God, who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God."

It is because of our trust in the resurrection that each week we confess together the ways our faith and hope have not been set on God. When we confess, we name our sins and commit to turn toward the life God calls us into again. With that in mind we join our voices praying together.

\*Prayer of Confession and Reconciliation

Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst.

We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being and success, forgetting your imperative to love our neighbor as ourselves.

We turn away from systems that challenge our way of thinking, choosing to justify our actions instead of examining our intentions.

Show us again how to live a resurrection faith, a faith that sees life and hope in the midst of death and destruction. Transform our hearts so that where they are hardened toward you, neighbor and self, they may once again be filled with love and moved to actions of grace and mercy. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

\*Congregational Response

"Amazing Grace"

Scripture

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

Jesus Opens Our Eyes

Quiet time of reflection

\*Statement of Faith

Prayers of the people followed by The Lord's Prayer

Worship Through Giving

\*Closing hymn All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! #142

Blessed Be The Tie That Binds please gather and join hands

\*Benediction

**Wherever we are, God has put us there. God has a purpose in us being there. Christ who lives in us has something he wants to do through us where we are. We believe this and we go in grace, love and power. Amen.**

Postlude