Because we all have different levels of comfort during this unusual time and out of respect for all, please remain masked and distanced during the service and sing along in your hearts and spirits, rather than with your voices, as the music is played.

# Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

April 4, 2021

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

### Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: "I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD'S doing, it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

- Psalm 118:21-24

#### **GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE: "The Stone Rolled Away" Brian Childers

**Bell Ringers** 

### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Brightness of God's glory

and exact image of God's person, whom death could not conquer

nor the tomb imprison,

All: as you have shared our frailty in human flesh, help us to share your immortality in the Spirit.

Let no shadow of the grave terrify us, and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you.

Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days,

Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days as the first and the last, the Living One, our immortal Savior and Lord. Amen

OPENING HYMN: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Bell Ringers

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake; Yet, we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone, and we have wandered from your pathway.

As we remember the rising of your Son, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Cantor Judy Treutlein

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### \*SUNG RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS "Gloria Patri"

Cantor Judy Treutlein

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, amen

### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS:** 

Pastoral Letter: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

Response:

One: This is the Word of God. *All: Thanks be to God!* 

Easter Reflection Rev. Chris Scrivens

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: "Crown Him With Many Crowns" arr. George Job Elvey

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD** 

### **EASTER LITANY**

God, we are caught up in fears

Of things known and unknown

As the disciples huddled in a house, fearful after Christ's death

So we tend to lock our doors.

We forget that when we lock our doors, nothing can enter

Neither the bad nor the good.

But Perfect Love doesn't need a door -

Christ has appeared among us, even so!

Into our darkest, most fearful places

Jesus has walked right in!

Into our most doubtful moments,

Jesus has spoken Peace.

We saw in his wounds, the evidence of death and pain upon him,

Our worst fears realized in his flesh.

What we learned is that our worst fears are not the end;

Life has overcome death;

Joy has overcome pain;

Love has overcome fear.

The one who went before us, straight into the heart of darkness

The Risen Christ has overcome the world.

Breathe upon us, Lord Christ:

The breath of hope and peace,

The breath of Perfect Love,

The breath of the Spirit of God.

- Fran Pratt

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING** (in-person worshippers are welcome to leave offerings in the plate by the door on your way out.)

**INSTITUTION of the LORD'S SUPPER** 

### PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Chris Scrivens

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Scrivens

POSTLUDE: "Thine Is the Glory" Handel, arr. Brian Childers

Bell Ringer

# Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Minister: The Reverend Chris Scrivens

Director of Family Ministries: Deacon Melissa Ash

Music Director: Matt Petrozelli

Organist: Mary Elizabeth Rawley 8:30 am Usher: Nancy M. Thaiss

10:00 am Ushers: Tom and Jeanne Perry; Andy and Martha Smith

8:30 & 10:00 am Cantor: Judith Treutlein

**HAPPY EASTER!** We welcome everyone to our Easter Service. We hope you have felt at home worshipping with us and we pray you have a glorious Easter filled with Joy!





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