### FRIENDLY REMINDER

Our Sunday service is livestreamed, and microphones pick up sound throughout the sanctuary. Recording begins at least 15 minutes before the service to include announcements.



### **Prelude**

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Easter Sunday

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WELCOME,

ANNOUNCEMENTS,

and

**CELEBRATIONS** 

### CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Run from fear and darkness! Hope is on the move!

**People:** Run to tell the world, Christ is risen!

### CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Do not be afraid. Jesus has conquered death!

People: We can proclaim with great confidence that God's love rules.

### CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

**ALL: ALLELUIAH** 

### **OPENING PRAYER**

**Christ the Lord is Risen** today! Alleluia! Our hopes and dreams have come true. We do not have to fear death, for Christ goes before us.



#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Praise be to God who has raised Christ from the dead and given to us new life. Open our hearts to receive your wondrous words of love, O God.



### **OPENING PRAYER**

Help prepare us for the opportunities to serve you by serving others. In Christ's Name, we pray.

AMEN.



"Up From the Grave He Arose" UMH 322
WORDS and MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1874

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Low in the grave he lay,

Jesus my Savior,

waiting the coming day,

Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave he arose,

with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;

he arose a victor from the dark domain,

and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.

He arose! He arose!

Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior; vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave he arose,
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain,
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.

He arose! He arose!

Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior; he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave he arose,
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain,
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.

He arose! He arose!

Hallelujah! Christ arose!



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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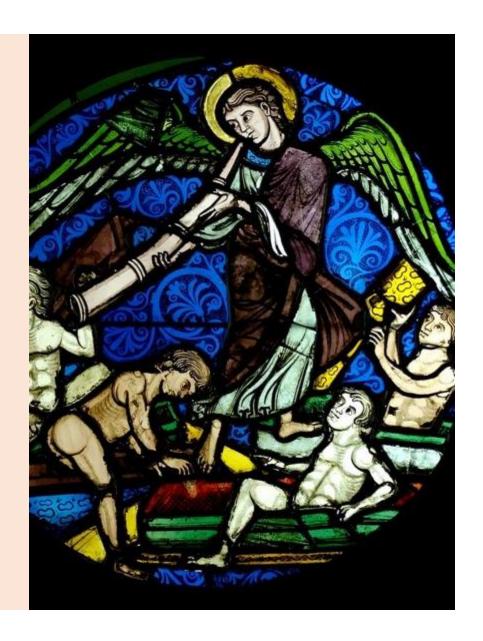
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.



### 1 Corinthians 15: 19 -26

**NRSVUE** 



19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human,

<sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

<sup>23</sup> But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

<sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power.

<sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

<sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Leader: <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord because he is good because his faithful love lasts forever.

**People:** <sup>2</sup> Let Israel say it: "God's faithful love last forever!"

Leader: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly, <sup>16</sup>the right hand of the Lord is exalted...

**People:** the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!

Leader: <sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

**People:** <sup>18</sup>The Lord has chastened me sorely, but has not given me over to death.

Leader: <sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**People:** <sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the Lord; the righeous shall enter through it.

Leader: <sup>21</sup>I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

**People: 22** The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Leader: <sup>23</sup>This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**People: 24** This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.



Luke 24: 1 - 12

NRSVUE

<sup>1</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

<sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

<sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body.

4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.

<sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.

6 Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,

7 that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again."

8 Then they remembered his words,

<sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

<sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

<sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

### Glory Be to the Father

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

# 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.

### Sermon

"Resurrecting Jesus: Remembering Jesus"

308

WORDS: Edmond L. Budry, 1904; trans. by R. Birch Hoyle, 1923

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay.

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Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

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#### 2. Lo! Jesus meets thee,

risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

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3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

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Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Please continue to stand as you are able and comfortable.

Leader: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

> Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

People: We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

People: Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

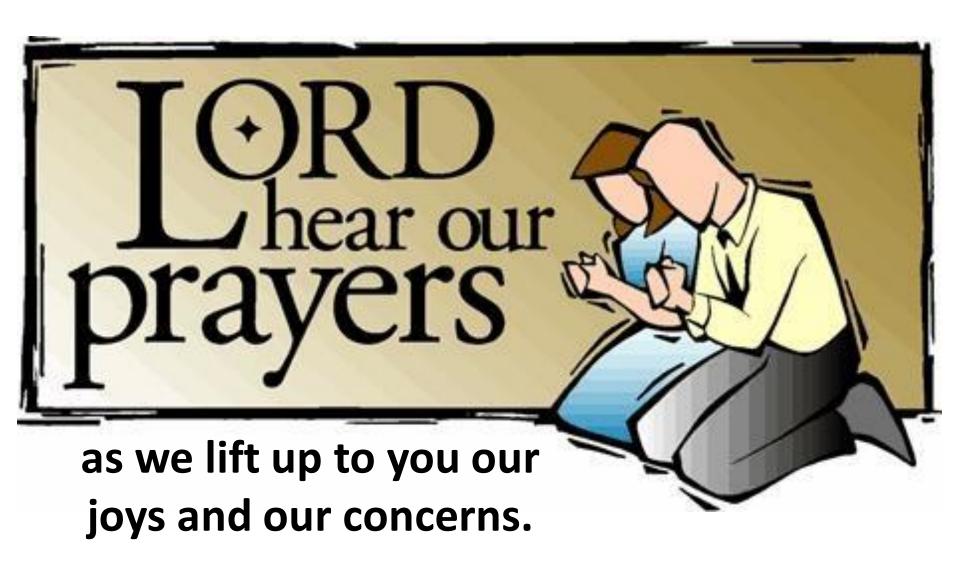
**People:** In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen



Passing of the Peace

#### PRAYERS of the PEOPLE





Pastoral Prayer



#### "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978 MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth...

and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING TFWS 2257 (sung)

A//: Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ... By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

Leader: By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Leader: Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

Leader: On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Leader: When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of

Leader: On the day you raised him from the dead, he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit, your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

Leader: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

A//: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Leader: By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Leader: Through your Son Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your
holy church, all honor and glory is
yours, almighty Father, now, and
forever.

All: Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

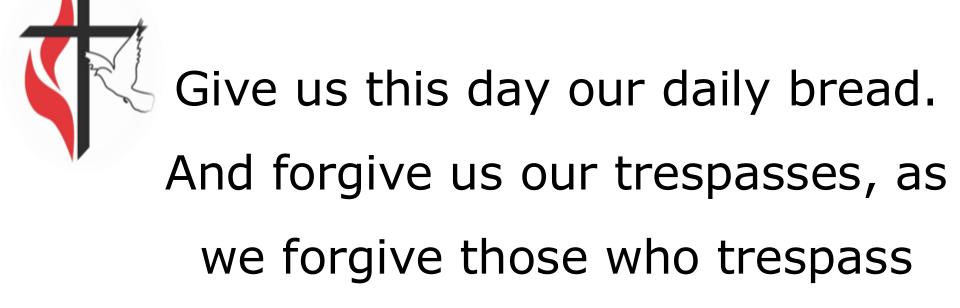


Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

#### The Lord's Prayer UMH 895



against us.

#### The Lord's Prayer UMH 895



And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory,

forever.

Amen

# Breaking the Bread & Giving the Bread and Cup

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** 

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** 

#### Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739 MUSIC: Lyra Davidica, 1708 Please stand as you are able and comfortable.



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Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739 MUSIC: Lyra Davidica, 1708 **Please stand as you are able and comfortable**.

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!

Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!

Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739 MUSIC: Lyra Davidica, 1708 **Please stand as you are able and comfortable**.

Lives again, our glorious King, Alleluia!

Where, o death, is now thy sting?
Alleluia!

Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!

Where's thy victory, boasting grave?

Alleluia!

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739 MUSIC: Lyra Davidica, 1708 **Please stand as you are able and comfortable**.

King of glory, soul of bliss, Alleluia! Everlasting life is this, Alleluia! Thee to know, thy power to prove, Alleluia!

Thus to sing, and thus to love, Alleluia!

#### Benediction



#### **BLESSING AND BENEDICTION**



This service has ended, and now your service in the world begins!

# Rectortown United Methodist Church

Prayer, Action, and Love through Service.