



# UNITED CHURCH

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP for Sunday, April 20, 2014

## Easter Sunday

### RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Greg

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ron

One: The world is shaken, the stone rolled away, the tomb empty! Christ is risen!

**Many: The power of God is revealed; death is defeated, and life is affirmed.**

One: Fear is vanquished, and joy reborn!

**Many: Christ is risen indeed!**

One: Nothing remains the same, for it is Easter Day! Lift up your hearts and voices, and praise the name of Jesus, our risen Lord!

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

**PRELUDE** *Risen Today*

Llanfair

### LIGHTING OF CANDLES

**INTROIT** *Christ is Risen! Alleluia!*

CHOIR AND BRASS

**\*HYMN #182 Christ The Lord is Risen Today** (vs. 1-4, see insert)

RESURRECTION

### INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Greg

**All: Lord Jesus, come to us anew and make us your Easter people, banish our solemn reserve and cause us to tremble with the joyful news of your resurrection! As we feel the foundation of our being shaken, the stone rolled away in our hearts, may we be as amazed as the women who first saw the resurrected Savior. Let our often skeptical minds and fearful hearts be transformed and reassured, make an Easter difference in us. As we are resurrected in the Spirit with you, may we become filled with zeal, for the building of a new world you offer to us. We pray as the resurrected Jesus taught us "Our Father...." (sins and sinners)**

**HYMN: #237 I Come to the Garden Alone**

GARDEN

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (An Easter affirmation)

Pastor Ron

**All: Hope is stronger than memory. Salvation is stronger than sin. Forgiveness is stronger than bitterness. Reconciliation is stronger than hatred. Resurrection is stronger than crucifixion. Light is stronger than darkness. The empty tomb is stronger than the seeming defeat of the cross. The risen Lord is stronger than the dead Jesus. Easter is stronger than Good Friday. We are the Easter people. We are the people of hope. We are the people of the empty tomb, the risen Lord, the new life in Christ.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #759**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Pastor Greg

**MUSICAL REFLECTION** *Come to Us, Beloved Stranger*

CHOIR

**MOMENT OF GENEROSITY**

Pastor Ron

**OFFERTORY** *Variation on "I Know My Redeemer Liveth"*

HANDEL

**\*PEOPLE'S PRAYER (DOXOLOGY): #780 - Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow** Old 100<sup>th</sup>

**SCRIPTURE** *Matthew 28:1-10* (Page 35)

Pastor Greg

**SERMON** *The Easter Difference*

Pastor Greg

**\*HYMN Christ is Alive** (see insert)

**\*BENEDICTION**

Pastor Greg

**POSTLUDE** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!*

\*Those who are able are invited to stand

**PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Ushers: Chuck and Carol Jennings, Jeff Denslow, Sheila Sawyer

Greeters: Cheryl Axelson, Phil Ballou

Deacons: Byron and Janice Farrell

Preacher: Greg Smith

Liturgist: Ron Thompson

Interim Music Director: LuWayne Arnold

Brass Quartet: Howard Bacon, Marc Gerber, Renald Richard, Wesley English

**PRAYER LIST**

**(Kindly call the church office with your current concerns)**

Members: Harold Bach, Barbara Berry, Louise Burns, Jo Doll, Emily Eggert Jan Etheredge, Barbara Hill, Dottie Jeggle, Mary Ann Kunkel, Carol Litchfield, Jeannette Marlow, Ellen Joy Penso, Margo Pictor, Bonnie Ruecker, Pat Schimek, Rob Schimek, Louis and Pat Smith, Gladys Webb.

Friends: Dale Bonnett, Nancy, Bradley, Cindy Burns-Miller, Summer Campbell, Jack Coffin, Bob Collins-Wright, Jim Day (Barbara Day's Stepson), Marvin Douda, Annie and Morrie Fisher, David Fisher and his son Sam, Nancy Hafner, Timothy Hilferty, Sue Jeffries, Bob Kelly, Kendall (Linda & George James granddaughter), Deryck Kent, Noiina Koenig, Jeffrey Kunkel, Linda LaGuerre (Yvonne Hall's sister-in-law), Andrew Long, John & Linda Maggio, Aaron Martinette (Barbara Day's grandson), Jacqui McGovern, Jon D. Moore (Esther Moore's son), Chrissy Nourtsis (Margo Bach's granddaughter), Joshua Miller, Dave & Lynn Nelson, Ruth Owen, Michael Penso, Luke Resser (Dick Adair's Grandson), Sarah Richards, David Rivard, Ruth (Rubie) Rutherford, Kevin Sawyer, The Shudes Family, Bill Sime, George and Patty Shirley, Carole Slate (friend of John Newcomer), Vince Thompson, Betty Van, Randy Whitman, Jack Wilson

*Tom Garrison passed away Saturday, April 12. Tom was a long time member of UCMI and a member of our choir. Please pray for Tom's family.*

# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788 alt.

EASTER HYMN 7.7.7.7. with Alleluias  
Arr. from "Lyra Davidica," 1708

1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day,  
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,  
3 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - - le - lu - ia!  
4 Soar we now where Christ has led,  
5 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!

Sons of men and an - gels say:  
Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - - le - lu - ia!  
Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head,  
Praise to thee by both be given,

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,  
Dy - ing once, he all doth save,  
Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - - le - lu - ia!  
Made like him, like him we rise,  
Thee we greet tri - um - phant now,

Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply:  
Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?  
Christ has o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - - le - lu - ia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies,  
Hail, the Res - ur - rec - tion thou! A-men.

A descant may be found at No. 582  
Alternative tune, LLANFAIR, No. 187

RESURRECTION

# Christ Is Alive!

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TRURO LM

Brian Wren, 1968; rev.

Thomas Williams, 1789  
Harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

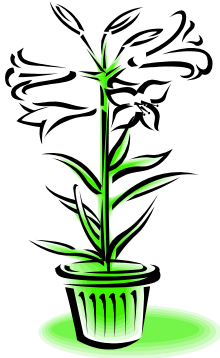
1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound To dis - tant  
3. Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, Un - touched, un -  
4. In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, Where col - or,

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, But sav - ing, heal - ing,  
moved by hu - man pains, But dai - ly, in the  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, And touch - ing ev - ery place and time.  
midst of life, Our Sav - ior in the God - head reigns.  
loves the more, And lives, where ev - en hope has died.

5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring Till earth and sky and ocean ring  
Good news to this and every age, With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

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## *Easter Lilies*

Nick and Mary Astone

In thanksgiving for Pam and Ron Shudes

Paul and Cheryl Axelson

in thanksgiving of our many blessings

Harold and Margo Bach

In memory of our parents

Frank and Mary Bayley

In thanksgiving

Joanne Becker

In memory of Luella Butler

Kyle, Alison, Donna and Ellen

In memory of Harry Burns, and In thanksgiving for Irene Burns

Barbara Day

In memory of her son, Michael

Fred and Bev Figge

In memory of our parents and siblings

David and Joanie Fuller

In thanksgiving for Pastor Greg and Pastor Ron

Dottie Gilbert

In memory of Jim Gilbert

June Gulumian

In memory of Marjorie Gulumian

Yvonne Hall

In memory of Don Hall

Owen and Juanita Henning

In thanksgiving for our families

Chuck and Carol Jennings

In thanksgiving

Kathie Johnson

In memory of Tom Johnson

Ralph and Carolyn Kolstoe

In honor of our parents

Don and Lois Miller

In memory of our daughter, Tandy

Margaret Miller	In memory of Donald and David Miller
Esther Moore	In memory of Donald, Donna and Dinah
Dick and Elaine Oeler	In memory of loved ones
Mike and Marcia Raisor	In memory of our son, Michael R. Raisor, Raymond and Mable Leill John and Helen Raisor
Ron and Jackie Roelofs	In memory of Gerry Sime
Louise Russell	In thanksgiving for the grandkids
Joan Emerick and Peter Saldana	In thanksgiving for children and grandchildren
Al and Linda Saunders	In memory of our parents
Barbara Sutton	In memory of Mabel Clifford McDaniel, my mother
Dave and Deanna Yates	In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

Tuesday, April 22	Primary Election in Disseler Hall – no one permitted in Hall during voting
Thursday, April 24	Stephen Ministry, 3:30pm, Conference Room
Friday, April 25	Music Search Committee, 9am, Library

**EASTER OFFERING** Our Easter special collection this year will be given to **Justin's Place Substance-abuse Recovery Program at St. Matthew's House**. As Easter celebrates resurrection, Justin's Place helps resurrect people through an intensive one-year program of accountability and motivation. It is offered to men, women and women with children. In 2010, St. Matthew's house launched Justin's Place, a live-in facility, in response to an undeniable need for an affordable and long-term substance abuse recovery program. For the past three years, they have seen miracles through Justin's Place residency program for men. Over 80% of the Justin's Place graduates have continued on as productive members of society. In January 2013 a similar program was started for women.

**EASTER FLOWERS** Easter lilies may be picked up at the conclusion of today's service.

**CHOIR RECOGNITION** Join us next Sunday for a special coffee fellowship as we thank our choir for their ministry among us this season.

**SOCIAL EVENTS** The Social events committee is planning a Naples Cruise on Saturday, May 3. The Naples princess cruise boat will take us up to the Port Royal area. Sign up is a must and I need confirmation by April 27. See the sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you plan to attend.

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