

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 8, 2007 10:00 a.m.

### RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER

#### PREPARATION

"Easter is not a part of the old accustomed divine order, of the ordered world in which we live, but it is an absolutely new, unexpected act of the living God, which interrupts and runs counter to the uniform rise and fall of the world's rhythm. Here we have the beginning of something new." -Martin Niemoller

#### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please sign the friendship pads as they are distributed)  
(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)*

#### PRELUDE

*All Creatures Of Our God and King*

-Hopson

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Morning light has dispelled the darkness.

**All: The whole of creation is bathed with radiance.**

Leader: This is the day of days.

**All: Jesus, our Lord, is risen from the dead!**

Leader: Let us lift our hearts in joyous praise and let us worship God!

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN** 123 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all together)

**Loving God, we come together this day in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, and yet for some of us there is little joy. For some of us, it is just too much to believe that Jesus lives – it is inconceivable. For others, life's troubles have become so heavy that any sense of gladness is buried beneath the burdens. Still others of us live such chaotic and busy lives that today is just another day, full of too many things to accomplish. Joy is an elusive quality in our lives, O God, and we are weary with the fear and hurt of daily life. Listening God, we beseech you to hear our prayers and to refresh our spirits. By your mighty resurrection power that raised Jesus from the dead, open our hearts to joy and raise us to new life this Easter Day. Hear now our silent prayers.**

\*All who are able may stand

## **SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*RESPONSE** 119 *The Strife Is O'er (refrain, vs.1, refrain)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The strife is o'er the battle done, the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun. Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to one another)

### **TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

*(Any children 4yrs –8<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for church school)*

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING:** Acts 10: 34-43

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26

**GOSPEL READING:** Luke 24: 1-12

**SERMON** -Rev. Debra Wright

**\*APOSTLES CREED** *(Traditional pg. 14)*

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN** *Listen, Sisters! Listen, Brothers! (See insert)*

### **THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **CALL FOR THE OFFERING OF GIFT AND SELF**

### **THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

### **\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (all together)

In the beauty of the flowers, in the glory of the hymns, in the prayers and the hearing of your word, our hearts have been enriched, O God. In the giving of these gifts, we bring back to you what is your own, praying that our small offerings will carry the message of Easter to the ends of the earth. Amen.

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYERS**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE COMMUNION IN CHRIST**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God of grace, you have given us the fullness of yourself in Jesus Christ. Thank you for the new life, the new way, the new hope that comes into us with this meal. Amen.

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN**

118 The Day of Resurrection

**\*CHARGE**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**     *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (see insert)*

**POSTLUDE**     *Crown Him With Many Crowns*     *-arr. Burkhardt*  
*(The congregation treats the postlude as its closing time of worship and leaves after it is completed.)*

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Usher: Shaun Wilson  
Layreader: Sandy Fiegl  
Counters: Bob & Marsha Barnhart  
Building Check: Membership  
(April 15<sup>th</sup> – Stewardship – April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Administration & Finance)

**SUNDAY NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We welcome all who** worship here this morning. Please join us for coffee after the worship service.

**Large print copies** of the Order of Worship, The Hymnal and the NRSV Bible are available at the back of the church.

**Phonic Ear hearing assistance** program is available. Please see an usher for more details.

**Prayer Request Cards**, located, in your pew, are for any prayer requests you wish included in the Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer request, please annotate your request on the back of the card, then pass it to the end of the pew (whichever end is closer to you) for collection by the usher during the opening hymn. Please do not place the card in the offering plate, as the card suggests. "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6*

**CHILD CARE**

**Infant/Toddler Nursery Care** during worship is provided for your children. Julie Riccio is ready to welcome your child.

**CALENDAR**

Today	- April 8	10:00 a.m.	Worship w/ Communion <i>Easter Sunday</i>
		11:00 a.m.	Easter Brunch
Mon.	- April 9		Church Office Closed
Sun.	- April 15	10:00 a.m.	Worship
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Scott Bailey & his family (The Partacz family) ♦ Matt Bove (Richard Jones) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta (Janice Jones) ♦ Steve Dalin (Karen Dalin) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Lorraine Fularon (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Jessica Grazen (The Fischers) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed & Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ Harold Hanna ♦ Nancy Hay ♦ *Janet H.* (Nancy Galley) ♦ Esther Hiller (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Ben Klinshaw (Rita Hanna) ♦ Marguerite Kobel (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ *Lynn Labby* (Marion Labby) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek (Marge Christmann) ♦ Josh Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ *Cathy Munsterman* (Richard Jones) ♦ Sandy Northem ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert ♦ George Shaffer ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue Maciejewski) ♦ Joan Shockey (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ The Weez (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Kyle James Smyntek (The Fiegl's) ♦ Partick Weir (Sandy Pakenham))

Chris Kalinowski ☉ Matthew Jones ☉ Bill Cenkner Jr. ☉ Patrick Baskerville ☉ Sammy Russo ☉ Kimberly Trudeau ☉ Steve Odebralski ☉ Jason Zimmerman ☉ Andrew Zalikowski ☉ Nick Turvey ☉ Kristen Pelc ☉ Ben Schauss ☉ Phillip Schott ☉ Josh Winkler ☉ Russell Molnar ☉ Pat McCullough ☉ Ryan M. Ratigan ☉ Larry Lloyd ☉ Joshua Feldman ☉ Dan Dudziak

Each week we invite you to hold in your prayers different families and individuals in our church. As an act of faithfulness we pray for each other. This week we pray for:  
Donna Cieslinski Bill & Nancy Hay Sandy Pakenham Muriel Whieldon

## CHURCH NEWS NOTES

**We are still looking for a few more volunteers** to usher for the months of June, August, October, and December. Please see Tim Miller to sign up or ask questions.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network Annual Benefit & Award Dinner** will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Creekside Banquet Center. The ticket price is \$60.00 per person and if you need more information you can contact Chris O'Connor at 826-3086.

**Free to a good home** – A slightly used three cushion couch and matching chair – turquoise/green background with a small pattern, please see Walt or Barb Kissel or call 674-0586, You must make arrangements to pick-up by April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Worship/Music Committee** - The meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. We will meet on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Deb Goggins if there are any issues that need to be addressed prior to that meeting.

**GARAGE SALE ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>**

Publicity – Tim Miller & Linda Barrows

Upstairs kitchen – Carol Vaughan

Downstairs kitchen – Deb Wilson

Pick up of leftovers – Barb Kissel

Bake Sale – Sue Boulter

Table Rentals – Dawn Corless

- ❖ Table Rentals - \$15 for first table, \$10 for each additional table. Church members and friends come first.
- ❖ Items to be donated to the church for the sale can be put in the old session room (next to the counting room off fellowship hall). Please no shoes or stuffed animals unless new or like new. Clean sellable clothes only. No broken or chipped glass.
- ❖ Save brown tops bags & plastic bags – fold them and place them neatly in another bag (this helps when we set up)
- ❖ We are still in need of a chairperson for a small theme basket table. See Diane if interested
- ❖ Watch for a sign up sheet in early April for the day of the sale.

**Attendance for April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Adult – 94 Children – 12