



FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday / Resurrection of the Lord

Mission Statement:

We are called to nurture a growing relationship with God by following the example of Jesus Christ.

We are called Federated because on July 2, 1914, Columbus' Congregational (now the United Church of Christ) and Presbyterian churches joined to serve as one congregation.

Prayer requests can be shared with the Church Office (402) 564-2812 to initiate a Prayer Chain with the Order of St. Andrew. The Prayer Chain is strictly confidential.

If you missed worship last week, visit www.federatedcolumbus.org for videos of worship and bulletins.

In case of an emergency, Edward's cell phone number: 402-302-2812.

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Welcome to Worship at Federated!

SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH, 2023

EASTER SUNDAY/RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Hymns, Songs, Prayers, and liturgies in **Bold** are for the participation of the **Congregation**

PRELUDE

Cortège et Litanie (Op 19, no 2)

MARCEL DUPRÉ

Kristen & Stuart Gausman- Handbells

James Sharpe, Organ & Piano

BRASS PRELUDE

Christ Is Alive!

ARR. HILFIGER

Quartet: Bob Arp, Parker Grant, Dave Melick, Jenny Young

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO CLIP

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

A Sanctified Art

One: What are you looking for?

All: The light before dawn.

One: What are you looking for?

All: A reason to hope.

One: What are you looking for?

All: Joy after grief and flowers after winter.

One: What are you looking for?

All: A place to belong.

One: What are you looking for?

All: We are looking for the Messiah.

One: Good news! Come in. Love is alive!

All: Surely God is in this place.

One: Let us worship God!

*** OPENING HYMN #123**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Friends, sometimes our relationship with God can feel a bit hopeless. We seek after God. We swear that we're looking, and yet so often we miss when the Divine is right under our noses. So let us pray together, knowing that our seeking has its limits, but God's love does not. Let us pray:

All: God of resurrection, we confess, like a dog with a bone, we run aimlessly. We chase our tails, looking for things that provide answers to the suffering of the world, looking for comfort to our longest nights. You meet us in the darkness before dawn, but we mistake you for the gardener. Forgive us for seeking after worldly things. Forgive us for forgetting to seek you. Speak to us. Call us by name, that we might recognize you in our midst. With hope and gratitude we pray, amen.

*** MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

*** WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Family of faith, no matter how many times we lose sight of God, God never loses sight of us.

All: We might spend our whole days seeking, but we are always found.

One: So hear and believe the good news of the gospel, the good news proclaimed in resurrection:

All: What once was lost is found. We are held in God's loving embrace: forgiven, claimed, and sent to serve. Alleluia! Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE** (You are welcome to share a handshake, fist bump or peace sign)

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

***As you are able, please rise in body or in spirit.**

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*** SING THE FAITH #2108**

O How He Loves You and Me

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Brenda Sand, Christian Education Director

CHORAL ANTHEM

Resurrection Victory

LARSON

Amanda Weeder, Piano; Brass Trio: Riley Gausman, Dave Melick, Jenny Young

Chancel Choir; Bob Arp, Director; Amanda Weeder, Piano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Heidi Klevemann, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel According to Matthew 28 : 1 - 10

Pew Bible, NT, pages 33 - 34

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Edward Yang, Pastor

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in resurrection—

mysterious, beyond our understanding, and yet, like tulips after the snow: real.

We believe in Easter morning—

in the promise of a God who would roll back every stone to return to us.

We believe in Jesus—

who calls us by name and asks, “Who are you looking for?”

So we look—

for justice, for mercy, for God in our midst.

And as we look,

we sing, “Alleluia!” Amen.

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN #106**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks (verses 1 & 4)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Thine is the Glory

ARR. HILFIGER

*** DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Brightness of God's glory and exact image of God's person, whom death could not conquer nor the tomb imprison, 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, as the first and the last, the Living One, our immortal Savior and Lord. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN #118**

The Day of Resurrection

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C Major (BWV 553)

J. S. BACH

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IN MEMORY OF DELORES, ANNABELLE,
AND ROMA

DONNA AUGSPURGER,

IN MEMORY OF ROGER AUGSPURGER AND OUR
PARENTS, LLOYD & OLIVE AUGSPURGER
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AND OUR SIBLINGS

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IN MEMORY OF OUR PARENTS

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AND BROTHER, REECE

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IN MEMORY OF JIM UHLMANN

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AND THE TURKEY/SYRIA EARTHQUAKES

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