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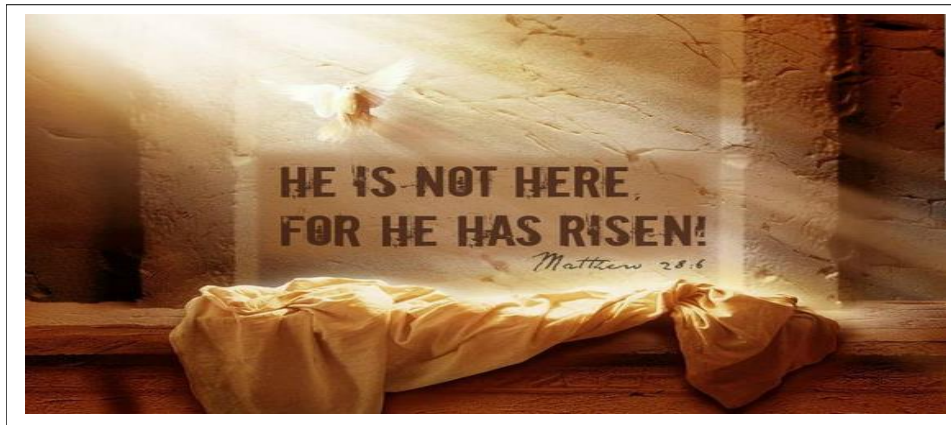
Thank you to Laura Doty for bringing us the message this morning.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have recorded service online. To view it just click [Here](#).

We would like to thank Cindy Robinett and Laura Doty for providing the music today.



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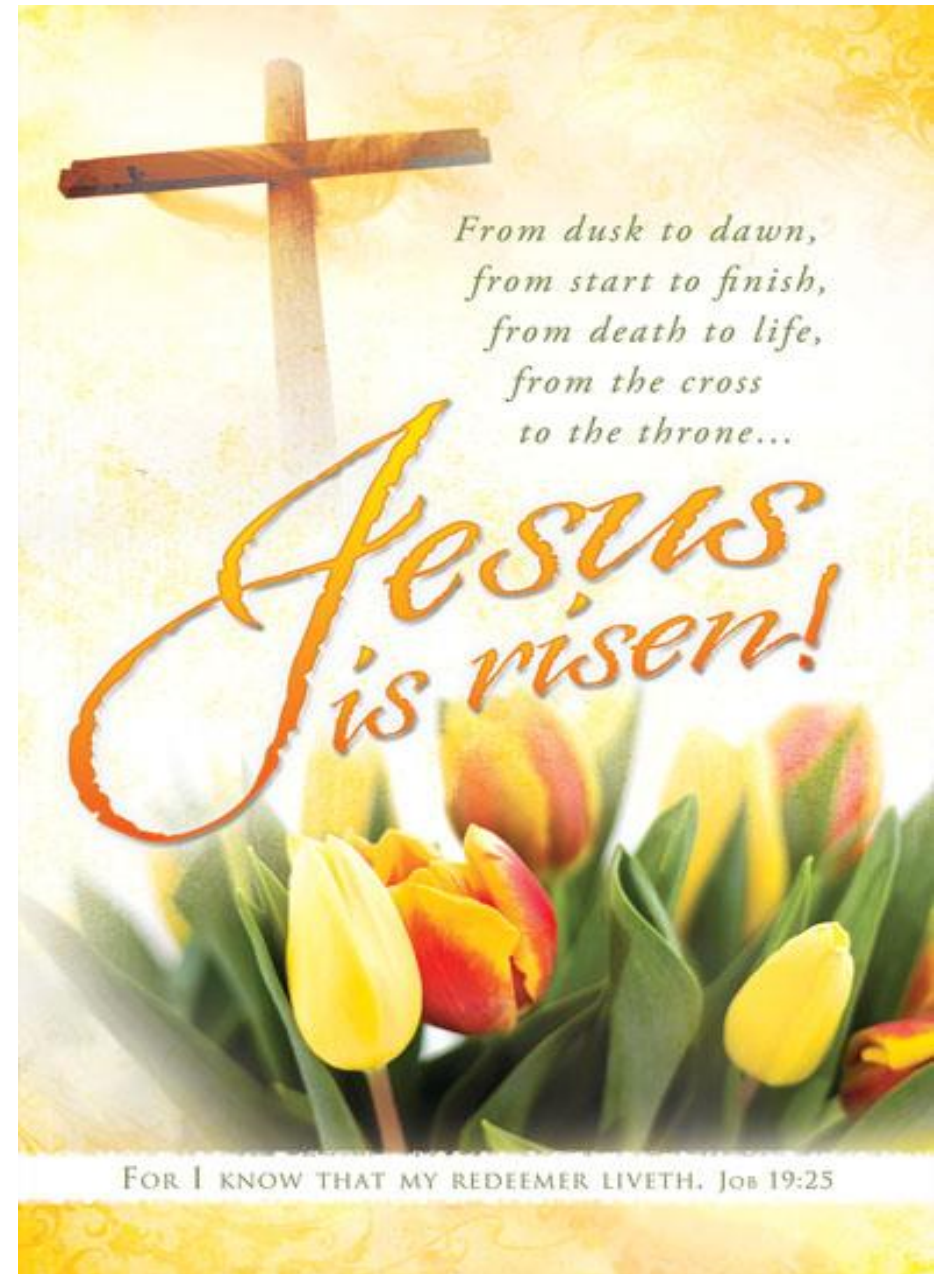
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# Welcome to St. John's United Church of Christ



**ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

*Easter Sunday*

**Communion Sunday**

**March 31, 2024**

**10:15 am**

**PRELUDE**      *"Alleluia! Alleluia!"*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EASTER ACCLAMATION** (Responsively)

Leader: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**OPENING HYMN**

*"Easter Song"*

*VS 1-2*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively)

Leader: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

People: Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Leader: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

People: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions.

Leader: Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

People: Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you. **AMEN.**

**APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit the one holy Universal Christian Church. The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**Pastoral, The Lord's Prayer (Debts, Debtors)**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

## **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**(Everyone is welcome to join in Holy Communion.)**

## **COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Pastor:** God be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to God.

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to God Most High.

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

## **BREAKING BREAD AND POURING DRINK**

## **SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE   *"Christ Arose"***

## **222 Easter Song**

**Hear the bells ringing, they're singing**

**That we can be born again**

**Hear the bells ringing, they're singing**

**Christ is risen from the dead**

**The angel up on the tombstone**

**Said He has risen, just as He said**

**Quickly now, go tell His disciples**

**That Jesus Christ is no longer dead**

**Joy to the world**

**He has risen, hallelujah**

**He's risen, hallelujah**

**He's risen, hallelujah, hallelujah**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (In Unison)

**We want to celebrate. We want to stay on the mountaintop with Jesus and set up a festival where everyone can come and play and have a good time. But you have called us to “Listen to Him!” You have asked us to be ready for the journey. We cannot stay where we are, comfortable and snuggled down in the familiar. Forgive us, Lord, when we are stubborn and willful. Help us to listen to you. Heal us, Lord. For we ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**“GLORIA PATRI”**

**#623**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 118:1-7**

**John 20:1-18 Acts 10:34-43**

**Special Music by Laura Doty and Cindy Robinett**

**“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”** Verses 1-4

**TODAY’S MESSAGE**

**“He is Risen, Alleluia”**

**Reverend Laura Doty**

## **DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS**

**“Doxology”**

**#625**

## **217 Christ the Lord is Risen Today**

**1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!**

**2 Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once, he all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!**

**3 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!**

**4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**