



First Congregational United Church of Christ

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Easter Sunday ***April 17, 2022***



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Guest Preacher

Rev. Leonard Harmon

Music Director

Luke Overton

Youth Director

Abbie Chronister

Worship Leader

John Mardis

Organist

Hudson Lourenço

Guest Musician

Kelley Meinen, trumpet

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here*

Prelude

Concertato on 'Jesus Christ is Risen Today'

#187 (Red)

Hudson Lourenço

(Congregation sings stanza 1, 2, 4)

A Touch of Brass Bell Choir

(Choir sings stanza 3)

Kelley Meinen, trumpet

Greeting

***Call to Worship**

John Mardis

Leader: You have turned our mourning into dancing! You have taken away our funeral clothes and re-clothed us in joy, so that our whole being- body, mind, and soul- might sing praise to you and not be silent.

People: O Lord, our Lord, we will give thanks to you forever!

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Darkness has been vanquished!

People: The brilliant light of hope has come!

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate the good news!

People: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Amen!

Prayer of Invocation (In Unison)

O God of all our days, we come this morning with eager anticipation. We seek to know you, to see you, to touch you. Open our hearts, that we might experience you anew. Open our lives, that we may be faithful witnesses to your resurrection. May we, with shouts of joy, proclaim your steadfast, liberating love for all people, everywhere. Amen.

***Hymn**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

#199 vs. 1-3 (Red)

Children's Lesson

Abbie Chronister

Choral Anthem

Alleluia! Christ is Risen by Joel Raney

Chancel Choir

Joys and Concerns of the Church

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.

Call to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology		No. 515 (Pilgrim - red)
*Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture Reading		1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Hymn	<i>Jesus Christ is Risen Today</i>	#240 (Black)
Sermon	“In the Cemetery Times of Our Lives”	Rev. Leonard Harmon
*Closing Hymn	<i>Lift High the Cross</i>	#198 (Black)
*Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Hallelujah Chorus</i>	Hudson Lourenço from Messiah by George Frideric Handel

* You are invited to Stand

Hearing assistance devices are available in the cabinet
in the back of the sanctuary.

**Many thanks to those who have helped beautify our church
with Lilies this Easter day:**

- Craig & Carmen Driver in celebration of Resurrection;
- Lois Johnson in memory of loved ones;
- Greg & Anne Hoekstra in memory of Wayne & Opal Schroeder and Jake & Billie Hoekstra;
- Russ & Kathy Franke in memory of Fern Murphy;
- Russ & Kathy Franke in honor of David Sheridan;
- Laurie Allbaugh in memory and honor of grandmothers, Margaret Ann King Elder and Esther Cornelia Bergreen Allbaugh;
- Rich & Kay Thuesen in honor of peace around the world;
- Janice & Rich Akin and family & Nancy J. Heinick in memory of Frank F. Heinick;
- Janice & Rich Akin and family & Nancy J. Heinick in memory of Lorraine M. Heinick;
- Janice & Rich Akin & Nancy J. Heinick in celebration of Abbey, Jeff, Adam & Andrew;
- Todd & Becky Ellison in memory of Bob & Donna Sheridan;

Paul & Gina Greene in memory of Tyler Greene, son, brother, friend, child of God;
Paul & Gina Greene in celebration of friends and family;
Paul & Gina Greene in memory of Marian (Grandma) Greene;
Tim & Vicki Ahrens in memory of Henry & Bettie Reichenbacker, Shirley McGreevey, and
Ed Ahrens;
Craig & Karen Jensen in memory of Charles & Catherine Jensen;
Craig & Karen Jensen in honor of Robert, Charlie, and Cooper Mejia;
Michelle Wolfe in loving memory of her daughter, Kalli Raelle Corwin;
Diane Morris & Peter Colver in loving memory of Dick & Judy Morris;
Diane Morris & Peter Colver in loving memory of Rick Colver;
Craig & Sharon Holdiman in celebration of our family;
Roger & Joanne Lane in memory of Earle & Alpha Lane;
Roger & Joanne Lane in memory of Norman & Hanna Nelson;
Bob & Karen Dew in celebration of family;
Audrey Adams-Sorge in honor of my mother, Jeanne Adams' 96th birthday;
David & Shelli Panicucci in memory of our mothers: Mary Alice Thompson and Vivian
Mae Panicucci
Dave Zellhoefer in memory of Richard & Helen Zellhoefer