



First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

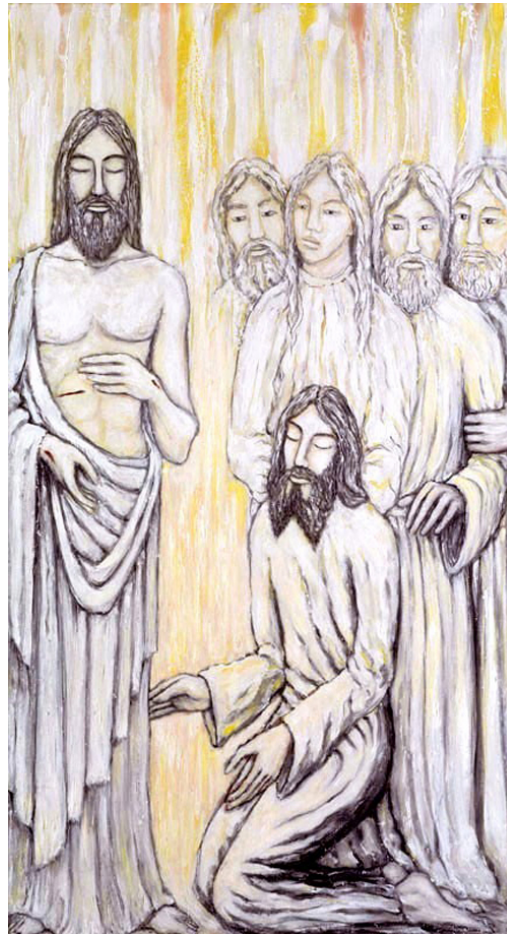
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Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024



Worship Leader

Barb Mardis

Mini Message

Anne Hoekstra

Director of Music

Luke Overton

Guest Preacher

Rev. James Altenbaumer

Organist

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Office Manager

Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

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

Prelude	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
Welcome and Announcements		Barb Mardis
*Call to Worship		Barb Mardis
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Christ the Lord is Risen Today</i>	#233 (NCH - Black)
*Prayer of Invocation (unison)		Barb Mardis
Creator of all that is, You made the world in beauty and will restore all things in glory, through the victory of Jesus Christ. May the breath of Christ fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that – wherever Your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war, and greed – we may announce the new creation of justice, love, and peace, to the glory of Your name. Amen.		
Mini-Message		Anne Hoekstra
Joys & Concerns		Barb Mardis
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (unison)		Rev. James Altenbaumer
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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.		
Choral Anthem		Chancel Choir
Scripture Reading	John 20:19-31	Barb Mardis
Message	<i>"Believing, You May Have Life!"</i>	Rev. Altenbaumer
*Hymn	<i>In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive</i>	(See Insert)
Invitation to Offertory		Barb Mardis
Offertory	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
*Doxology		#778 (NCH - Black)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.		

***Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Altenbaumer

***Hymn of Dedication**

Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day

#241 (NCH - Black)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***Benediction**

Rev. Altenbaumer

Postlude

Hymn Improvisation

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

* Please Rise in Body or Spirit

*Sunday School for students up to 6th grade is provided after the Mini-Message.
We welcome your child(ren) to follow our Sunday School leaders to the
youth director's office at the conclusion of the Mini-Message.*