March 31, 2024

Pastor Dennis Molnar

Patti Reep, Organist

Deborah Snyder, Pianist & Choir Director

11:00 AM

PRELUDE

GREETING

He is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dan Harris, Liturgist

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed.

Celebrate this day of days!

Shout Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna!

Let all Creation be amazed!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ is Risen!

MORNING PRAYER

* Hymn of Praise #39 Red SS "Seed in My Heart"

- * CALL TO CONFESSION
- * PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment of others; the way we evaluate and compare. Forgive our death-dealing sins, our habits that demean and degrade, our addiction to violent and destructive behavior. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

- * SILENT CONFESSION
- * ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- * GLORIA PATRI #579 PH
- * Passing of the Peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

GOSPEL READING: John 20: 1-10

CHILDREN'S SERMON "Signs of the Resurrection"

CHOIR ANTHEM "Come to the Tomb and Live Forevermore"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON: John 20: 11-18

SERMON "The Gospel Revealed"

- * Hymn #302 PH "I Danced in the Morning"
- * AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) Pg. 14 PH

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER Pg. 16 PH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

- * OFFERTORY
- * THE DOXOLOGY #592 PH
- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of the empty tomb, your grace astounds us, your generosity fills us to overflowing. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.

- * Closing Hymn #113 PH "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"
- * BENEDICTION
- * Response "The Lord Liveth"

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock, and let the God of my salvation be exalted! The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock, and let the God of my salvation be exalted!

* Congregation please stand if you are able.

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue), CLH - Christian Life Hymnal (Red)

We welcome all visitors worshiping with us today! Please sign our guest book located in the vestibule.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Dennis Molnar can be reached by calling/texting 412-389-6844 or by email at molnarzoo@verizon.net if you have a pastoral concern or question.

Pastor Dennis will be away next Sunday, April 7th to host "The Eclipse" at Camp Lambec. Lisa Lyons will be filling the pulpit. Please plan to join us in worship as we celebrate the Second Sunday in the Easter Season.

Anyone wishing to travel up to Camp Lambec for the Total Eclipse next Monday, April 8th is welcome. Please sign up if you plan to attend so we can have enough eclipse glasses and food for lunch. Directions and information are located on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

Adult Sunday School – Sundays at 9:45-10:30am. There will be no Sunday School on March 31st.

Children's Sunday School – First Sunday of each month. Next Sunday School is April 7th.

Choir Practice – Sundays at 10:30am in the rehearsal room.

Celebration of Easter – Welcome to the great day of the resurrection of the Lord! Pascha [or Easter] is the central event, the time of transformation, of becoming a resurrected people, God's new people. On this Sunday of all Sundays, Pascha, we celebrate our transformation as a new people. When Christ rose from the grave, death and all other "principalities and powers" that seek to entomb God's will were forever defeated.

Worship Committee Meeting – There will be no meeting in March.

Deacons Meeting – Sunday, April 7th following worship at 12:00pm.

Session Meeting – Monday, April 15th at 7:00pm. Please have session reports to Deb Snyder by Tuesday, April 9th.

Eyeglass Collection – The Worship Committee will be collecting old eyeglasses to send to Uganda. If you have any to donate, please leave them in the basket located in the back of the church.

New Members Class - Anyone interested in joining the church see Deb Snyder.

Bulletin Announcements – Please notify Jan Cannon by calling or texting at 724-494-9382 or by email at djjcannon@yahoo.com.

The offering plate is located on the table in the back of the church, you may leave your offering there.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 2 – Kathy Harris April 4 – David Flick

April 3 - Douglas Cannon April 5 - Isaac David Cushey

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 31 – Chad & Amanda Hill April 2 – Steve & Shelley Cook

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