



CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Worship



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020

*The Lord is Risen!
He is Risen Indeed!*

† Gathering Hymn: Because He Lives

† Call to Worship (from 1 Corinthians 15, 1 Timothy 1)

Pastor: Now is Christ Jesus risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

People: For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead came also through a man.

Pastor: For as in Adam all die, so in Christ will all be made alive.

People: For He must reign until he has put all enemies under his feet.

Pastor: Our Savior, Christ Jesus, has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.

Unison: Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

† Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns

† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings

(Reader: Pam Paglino)

Acts 10:34-43 Responsive

³⁴Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right.

³⁶You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

³⁷You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen.

⁴¹He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

1 Corinthians 15:1-8 Responsive

¹ Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve.

⁶After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.

⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

† Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

† Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Offertory

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley
Prayer of Thanksgiving**

arr: Jack Schrader

† Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Second Scripture Readings

(Reader: (Patty Bodnar)

Colossians 3:1-4 Responsive

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

³ **For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.**

John 20:19-31 Responsive

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹ **Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."** ²² **And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."**

²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!”

²⁷ **Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”**

²⁸ Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”

²⁹ **Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”**

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

³¹ **But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.**

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Thanks be to God!

Sermon: The Sensory Proofs of the Resurrection of Jesus

Dr. James N. McGuire

Pastoral Prayer

† Hymn: Who is He in Yonder Stall?

† Responsive Litany (John 6:37-40)

Pastor: All that the Father gives me will come to me

People: And whoever comes to me I will never drive away.

Pastor: And this is the will of Him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day.

People: For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Unison: Christ is Risen! Christ is risen indeed!

†Benediction

† Welcome, Announcements and Prayers

Please remember to mail your tithes and offerings to keep us on budget. Please enclose your offering envelope in another envelope. You may send it to the church or to Pastor McGuire's home at 48028 Andover Dr., Novi, MI 48374. (Your checks may not be deposited every week, but if you have a question, feel free to call Bev Thompson about it.)

Pastor: Dr. James N. McGuire

Music Director: Dr. Eric Roth

To our visitors: We hope our worship enables you to draw near to God through Christ Jesus, and that you are blessed to share this time with us. We would be happy to hear from you.

During the coronavirus crisis, we will not meet together. Our service will be available on Facebook and YouTube. The links will be sent by email. If we do not have your email, please send it to Bev at cpcnovi@gmail.com.

In Need of Prayer

Cindy Bemis, Engebretson's daughter
Renate Hartig
George Donoian and family
Carolyn Krueger's son, Chuck
Yvonne Ray
Pat Grad's grandson, Luke age 12
Gail Nastwold
Jen Freese, her family and Maya
Jen's 100 y/o friend, Adele
Brett Johnson, Nancy's son
Lyndsay, daughter of the Sharpes
Don Rende's brother, Bob
David, friend of Cindy Taaffee
Bruce, friend of the Clay family
Jim, Gary, Marion, friends of Szczepanek's
Linda Szczepanek
Cody, grandson of Carolyn Krueger
Cheri Boone's sister's family
Bruce Hartley, employment
Alberta Weaver, at home
Colleen, friend of Kelly Rende
Diana, Metzners' daughter
Tom & Carol Metzner

In Need of Prayer

Brenda Cook, sister Lois, & daughter Tiffany
Priscilla, sister of Pat Grad
Avery, niece of Teresa Lisowski
Carol, Bev Thompson's cousin
Judy Hutson
Julia Rende
Tracy, friend of Bunny Rector
Andrew, friend of Bodnars, Guillain-Barré syndrome
Randy, friend of Bodnars
Tim, cancer, nephew of Janet Young
Judy All, relative of the Chernenkoffs
Lauren, niece of Ron Lisowski
Kelly Rende's friend Rich, family care burden
Jack, cousin of Patty Bodnar, pancreatic cancer
Employment for Gabriel and Tammy
Unbelieving children in our families
Elaine Clay's cousin, Alexis
Angie O'Dell, Ray Johnson, Karen Isles, Claudine Sordyl, Manuel & Astrid Valdivieso, and all healthcare and first responders
The Klein Family in death of his mother, 3/28/20
Sean & Krystal Murphy in the death of his cousin

Audio Sermons can be heard on the church website:
<http://christ-presbyterianchurch.org>

Monthly need: \$17,083.00

Giving for March: \$21,163

Thank you for your generosity.

Our Military: Justin, recently deployed to Qatar;

Metzners' grandson; Bryan, relative of Teresa Lisowski, deployed to Iraq. *Pray for God's protection of girls/women and intervention to stop the human sex trafficking in our state.*

Pray for healthcare workers and first responders who constantly risk their lives to care for the sick.

Heidelberg Catechism: Q 92 (Continued). What does the Lord say in his law? **A.** The Second Commandment: You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I, the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.