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The Original Congregational Church United Church of Christ Sunday, March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday 10:00am

May Easter Joys Attend to Your Heart!

Order of Worship

PRELUDE "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Chris Neal Dean Cardner, trumpet

GREETING

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen! People: Christ is risen indeed!

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Notices for the program, ministries and people of the church are shared.

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 118

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord for God is good! **People: God's steadfast love endures forever!** Leader: Open to us the gates of righteousness,

People: That we may enter and give thanks to God!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*HYMN No. 205

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

GATHERING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Holy God, your light has broken through the darkness. On this Easter Day greet us with great love. We rejoice in the Good News of our Easter Faith. Bless us to receive your message of peace. Gather us in your ministry of healing and service. May our spirits be lifted up as you appear in the world, our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

He Is Risen



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CALL TO OFFERING & SERVICE

Leader: Let us present our Easter Gifts with gladness.

People: We offer to God our offerings with praise and thanks!

OFFERTORY "Alleluia! Christ is Risen!" Patrick Leibergen

*DOXOLOGY No. 44 See insert Words: adapted from Thomas Ken, 1709

Music: German, 1623

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. O praise him, O praise him,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: Holy God, we dedicate our gifts to your Glory. **People: May we follow in the footsteps of our Lord.**Leader: Send us out to proclaim the Easter Good News. **People: Alleluia! The Lord is Risen! Life begins again!**

*HYMN No. 214

Thine Is the Glory

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

No. 257

"This is the Day"

*{Song for children to head out to Easter Egg Hunt}

*POSTLUDE

"Tuba Tune" C.S. Lang

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Welcome to the OCC!

Thank you for joining us for Easter Sunday!
Our Easter Egg Hunt immediately follows the service.
May the Lord bless you with Spring-time renewal in Eastertide!

THE LORD'S PRAYER all versions are welcomed in the Spirit

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 and ever. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE No. 37

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia! Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10:34-43 "Raised on the Third Day"

ANTHEM

"Jesus is Lord"

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, arr. Mary McDonald

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 16:1-8 "Looking for Jesus"

A TIME FOR MUSIC WITH THE CHILDREN

All little ones are welcomed to the front for Easter Singing!

EASTER MESSAGE "Egg-stremely Egg-sultant!"

*HYMN No. 206

I Danced in the Morning

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: Christ is with us.

People: Christ is in our midst.

Leader: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER