

March 31, 2024 ~ Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

Gathering Music ~ Karen Danke, guest

Welcome and Announcements ~ Jan Lapenta, liturgist

Prelude

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: As we come to worship today, we joyfully proclaim “Christ is Risen!”

People: He is Risen indeed!

Leader: We sing praises for how sin and death have been defeated.

People: Through the power of God’s love and grace, we have been reunited with God. Amen.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn #232 ~ “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” with the Celebration Ringers*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, through your death and resurrection you brought new life to our lives and world. Yet we confess that at times we have stayed in the tomb and sought sin and destruction rather than life and love. Forgive us, Lord, and show us the way to follow you from death to life in all that we say and do. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus ~ *“Because He Lives”* (refrain)

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, all fear is gone.

Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living just because He lives.

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #286 ~ *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”* (v.1)

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Offering Prayer

**Doxology ~ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* (Avery and Marsh)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 118

Special Music ~ *“Easter Fantasia”* (arr. M. Hayes) ~ Celebration Ringers and Choir

Christian Scripture ~ John 20:1-18

Message ~ “The Stone is Rolled Away! He is Alive!”

*Hymn #240 ~ *“Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks”*

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Congregational Response: Lord, hear our Prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

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.

*Hymn #263 ~ *“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name!”*

*Benediction

*Choral Response #80 ~ *“You Shall Go Out with Joy”*

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
there’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.*

Postlude

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All are welcome to a time of fellowship and treats **BEFORE** the service at 9:45AM in the lobby. **NO** coffee hour after the service.

NO Sunday School or Nursery on Easter Sunday.

The office will be closed on Monday, April 1, 2024.

From the Board of Deacons... *The flowers are presented today by:*

Pattie Benoit	In memory of Kyler Tulppo
Yvonne Cameron	In memory of Jack Cameron
Barbara DeLong	In memory of her dear friend, Joyce Baack
Mike & Carol Graham	In honor of their grandchildren
Cindy Handford & her sisters, Cheryl & Donna	In memory of their parents, Leroy & Tyme Leino
Georgia Hunt	In memory of Bob Hunt
Trinity, Briana & Kayla Jones	In honor of their mother, Kim
John & Jan Lapenta	In memory of Jan's brothers, Richard & Glenn McClure In honor of their children & grandchildren
Allen & Chery Nicholas	In memory of Haleigh Katherine Nicholas In honor of their children In honor of their grandchildren
Sue Rakay	In memory of Muriel Pearse
Jan Sandin	In honor of her daughter Shari & husband Mike, granddaughter Emma & her husband Jeremiah, & great grandchildren, Joey, Ella, Jackson, & Olivia In honor of her daughter Rhonda & her husband, Adam & her grandson Dillion & friend, Sarah
Wanda Seymour	In loving memory of Bob
Linda Thompson	In memory of Pat & Milt Pollock In honor of Terry Earnley
Don & Meta Tulley	In memory of Meta's sisters, Dorothy, Shareen, & Paula
Mike & Margaret Weber	In memory of Margaret's parents, Harold & Molly Timmer In memory of Mike's parents, Mildred & Harry Weber
Bob & Joan Westbrook	In honor of their parents

From Cheryl Dove...Thank you to the 7 volunteers for a very successful event at Forgotten Harvest. Working with other volunteers, they packed up 17,403 lbs. of food. These packages will be distributed in Detroit. Each pound is one meal. The Forgotten Harvest team was very impressed and thankful.

The Mission team has set Saturday, April 6 as a volunteer opportunity at World Medical Relief at 21725 Melrose in Southfield. Please sign up in the lobby and plan to meet promptly at 8:30AM to carpool. The work schedule is from 9:00AM until 11:00AM. The task will be sorting medical supplies.

Annual Detroit Tigers Fest - Sunday, April 7 following the worship service. You are invited to sport your Detroit Tigers wear and enjoy some local fare!!

From Karen Barsy...MOVING WITH THE SPIRIT SCHEDULE:

April 2-June 11 - 10 weeks - \$50.00

July 9-August 13 - 6 weeks - \$30.00

The sessions meet in Room 11 @ 10:30AM

The **Detroit Lutheran Singers** will hold a concert "**Lions and Lambs**", featuring **The Peaceable Kingdom** by Randall Thompson, in the sanctuary on **Saturday, April 13, 2024 @ 7:00PM**. Tickets are \$15.00 general admission; \$10.00 for seniors and students over 12. Tickets are available in the office. All are invited.

An upcoming event for women! Flyers are in the lobby!

Aspire - Sunday, April 21, 2024 at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church. 5:00PM. 1 night - 3 hours - just for women.

An evening full of laughter, learning, stories, and music.

Author and Bible Teacher - Heather Dixon.

Comedy by Amberly Neese. Music by Jaime Jamgochian.

Advance tickets: General Admission - \$30.00. VIP Reserved - \$40.00.

Group tickets for 10 or more - \$25.00. VIP Reserved Groups for 10 or more: \$35.00. Group

Sales: 480-812-1100. Purchase tickets at 480-812-1100 or online at

ASPIREWOMENSEVENTS.com.

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE!

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*

Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin

August and Faith Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Steve Boyak, Sheldon Davis, Pam Phillips

Suzanne Tabaka, Jim Roye, Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson, Nate Statly (MSU shooting victim) ~ friend of Joey Nicholas

Kris Purdy ~ niece of Grace Erwin; Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips

Elizabeth ~ sister-in law of Pat Garvey and Andy ~ nephew of Pat Garvey

Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff

Joan Velis and family; John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
Cousins of Terry Earnley and Jennifer Speiles ~ friend of Terry Earnley
Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen, Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean
Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit; Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt
Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of the late Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis