April 9, 2023 ~ Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

Gathering Music ~ Leigh Emmett

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude ~ "On The Third Day" (A. Poe) ~ Celebration Ringers and Choir

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Let the whole world rejoice! Jesus has conquered sin and death!

People: Thank you, Lord, for your saving love and grace! Amen.

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #232 ~ "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" ~ Joseph Burke, trumpet

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Jesus, you have broken the chains of sin and death in our lives and world. For the times when we have gone back to things that are destructive, forgive us. Bring change in our hearts and new life, following your call faithfully. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #625 ~ "How Great Thou Art!" (refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

Passing the Peace Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #399 ~ "God Welcomes All" God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

Offering Prayer

*Doxology#606 ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Avery & 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 ~ "Resurrection Victory" (L. Larson) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ Matthew 28:1-10

Message ~ "Leave it in the Tomb"

We Lay Down our Burdens and Rise with Christ

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

Prayer Preparation#469 ~ "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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 #240 ~ "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #614 ~ "Great Are You, Lord" Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love. Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise. Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

Postlude

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The office will be closed on Monday, April 10, 2023

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

| Ric & Karen Barsy | In memory of Dorothy & Chuck Hopps In memory of Steve & Carla Barsy In honor of Mardon & Carol Murphy |
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| Pattie Benoit | In memory of Kyler Tulppo & Bob Seymour |

| Karen Bright | In memory of Howard & Else Schweppe |
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| James & Charlotte Day | In honor of Rev. William Danowski of Evergreen Lutheran Church |
| Barbara DeLong | In memory of Joyce Bach |
| Cheryl Dove | In memory of Richard L. Dove |
| Gary & Terry Earnley | In memory of Bob Seymour |
| Carol Falle | In memory of loved ones |
| Eric Farquhar | In memory of Dorothy Farquhar & James Farquhar |
| Mike & Carol Graham | In honor of their grandchildren |
| Mark & Cindy Handford | In memory of Tyme & Leroy Leino |
| Trinity, Briana & Kayla Jones | In honor of their mother, Kimberly Weber |
| John & Jan Lapenta | In memory of their dear friend, Robert Seymour In memory of family & friends that have passed away In honor of their children & grandchildren |
| Allen & Chery Nicholas | In memory of Haleigh Katherine Nicholas In memory of Parents & Grandparents In memory of Bob Seymour In honor of their children & grandchildren |
| Christie Piastowski | In honor of Carrie |
| Sue Rakay | In memory of Muriel Pearse |
| Jan Sandin | In honor of her grandchildren: Joseph, Eliana, Jackson & Olivia |
| Wanda Seymour | In memory of her beloved husband, Bob |
| Kathy VanEck | In memory of Mary Frandsen |
| Kirk, Michelle & Kellen Weber | In memory of Grandparents: Harold & Molly Timmer |

Mike & Margaret Weber

In memory of their loved ones

All are invited to the Grand Opening Dedication for Grace Bible Chapel on Sunday, April 16 @ 3:00PM. St. Paul's Celebration Choir will join their voices with Committed for the service. Grace Bible Chapel is located at 27345 Schoolcraft Rd., Redford. (The former VFW Hall).

The **Mission Team** has planned a ½ day volunteer opportunity at **World Medical Relief** on **Tuesday, April 25, 2023 from 9:00AM-Noon**. The task will be sorting medical supplies for the Turkey-Syria earthquake victims. The team would love to have you volunteer for this event. They will **meet at St. Paul's at 8:30AM and carpool**. The center is located at the World Medical Center, 21725 Melrose, Southfield. Please sign up in the lobby.

The next **ROMANS** event, making floral arrangements for shut-ins, will follow worship on **Sunday, April 30, 2023**. Please sign up in the lobby.

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

In Our Thoughts

Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August and Faith Kornowicz Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson Nate Statly ~ friend of Joey Nicholas; Peter Hodge ~ friend of Jan and John Lapenta Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips; sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham Sharon and George and Rita Czanko ~ cousins of Terry Earnley Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz Ray and Mary Clark \sim neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley Mike Hyatt ~ friend 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 Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; 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 Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of 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 \sim son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis \sim son of Sheldon and Marion Davis





This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

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