



APRIL 21, 2019
6:30 AM
SUNRISE SERVICE

EASTER
SUNDAY

I know that

my
Redeemer
Lives



FEDERATED CHURCH
United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Congregation

Gathered at The Family Life Center

April 21, 2018

Easter Sunrise Service

6:30 am

A service of hymns, prayers, and meditation

Prelude Music

Randy Fusco

Welcome and Announcement

Rev. Mark Simone

* Call to Worship

Emma Gruss

* Opening Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

1. Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
2. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
His glories now we sing who died, and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
3. Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

* Opening Prayer (unison)

Paul Cantlay

Dear God, as we face the eastern sunrise on this morning of resurrection, we cannot look without seeing the cross, symbolic of the death of Jesus. It captures our view and reminds us of the horrors he endured. Seeing the now empty cross in the slowly brightening morning we can think only of him. We are held in awe of the work of Jesus in our lives. In him we have found new life and meaning. In him we have forgiveness of sins and a call to service. In him we find our hope in the future and our comfort in despair. Christ is our brother and our friend. On this Easter morn, we again commit ourselves to the way of Jesus, offering his peace, joy, and love to all we encounter. Guide us in love and acceptance of others, as well as ourselves, finding our value in his love for us. On this Easter morning, we again find Jesus, our resurrected Savior. In his name we pray his prayer:

* Those who are able stand

* The Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we
forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Reading

Psalm 118

Susannah Rutkowski

Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, he all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Reading

John 21

Trevor Halley

An Easter Reflection

Rev. Mark Simone

* Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall,
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed of the Fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
3. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
4. Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall,
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

Offering

Serenity Sanchez

* **Hymn of Celebration**

He Lives!

1. I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever others say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
and just the time I need him, he's always near.

Refrain: **He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

2. In all the world around me I see his loving care,
and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair.
I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast;
the day of his appearing will come at last.

(Refrain)

3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;
none other is so loving, so good and kind.

(Refrain)

The Walk to the Cross

Weather permitting, we will walk to the cross by way of the Prayer Garden path for the final part of our Easter Sunrise Service — Prayers at the Cross.

Prayers at the Cross

* **The Benediction**

I Believe in Jesus

I believe in Jesus.
I believe he is the Son of God.
I believe he died and rose again.
I believe he paid for us all.

I believe he is here now,
Standing in our midst.
Here with the power to heal now
And the grace to forgive.

Special thanks to Randy Fusco for sharing his musical gifts during this service.

You may also wish to join the Easter Celebration at our 10 am and 11:30 am worship services at 76 Bell Street. Spectacular music along with a message of hope, acceptance and transformation will be shared.

**Please join us for pastries and muffins following the service—
compliments of the Sr. High Youth Group, GROUP.**