IMMANUEL presbyterian church

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EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2022 PRELUDE: Allegro Maestoso Celebration fanfare

WE APPROACH GOD IN WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Pastor: God has claimed us as his own.

People: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world. Alleluia, Christ is risen.

All: Let us worship the risen Lord!

(Please be seated.)

THE SYMBOLS OF THE RESURRECTION

THE SHROUD

Reader: This reminds us of the cloth in which they wrapped the body of Jesus. On Easter morning it was found empty, lying in the tomb where Christ's body had been placed. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE FRAGRANT OIL

Reader: This fragrance reminds us that very early on Easter Day some women came to the tomb to prepare Jesus' body for proper burial. The women were the first to hear of Jesus' resurrection. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

* Congregations stands

HEATHER REYES

ANGELA WISDOM

THE STONE

Reader: This stone reminds us that on the resurrection morning, the stone that sealed the tomb was rolled away. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE CANDLE

Reader: This candle reminds us that Jesus Christ is the light of the world. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE CROSS

GEORGE GARRISON

Reader: The cross you see is an empty cross. Jesus is not dead. He is risen. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

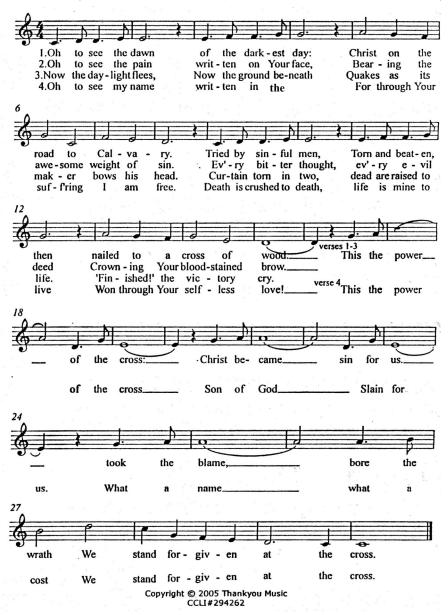
To spoil the spoiler of his prey.

We will observe the centuries-old tradition of the "flowering of the cross" this Easter morning. You will be invited to come forward to the cross during the opening anthem and hymn, and place your flowers on the cross. Assistants will be available to help you. Children are especially invited to participate with their parents. In this way Christians dramatically symbolize Christ's coming to life from death.

ANTHEM "O Tree of Beauty"	Linda Cable Shute
O tree of beauty, tree most fair,	Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Ordained those holy limbs to bear,	Life's torrent rushing from his side,
Gone is thy shame, each crimsoned bough	To wash us in the precious flood
Proclaims the King of glory now.	Where flowed the water and the blood.
Blest tree, whose chosen branches bore	To thee, eternal Three in One,
The wealth that did the world restore.	Let homage meet by all bedone:

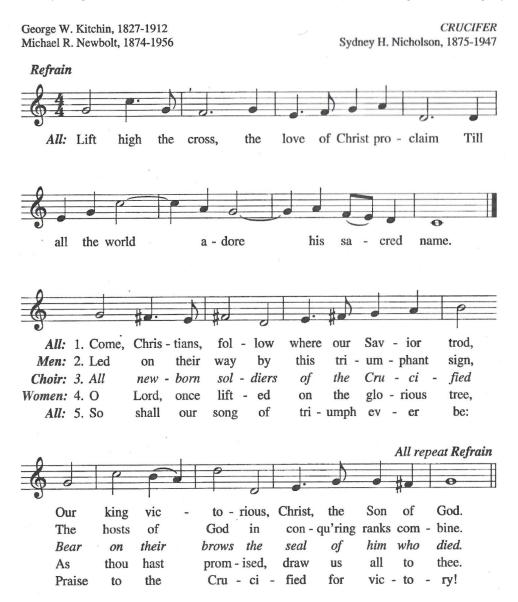
As by the cross thou dost restore The price which none but he could pay So rule and guide us evermore.

ELLIE DURBIN



- * INVOCATION
- * EASTER GREETING

Leader: The Lord is risen! **People: He is risen indeed. All: Alleluia! Amen.**



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CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader; O God, like the first witnesses of the resurrection, we too, come to the empty tomb with a variety of responses. We hear the good news that Jesus has risen, but so often the evidence for this is difficult to detect in our lives.

People: Forgive us when we fail to make the risen Christ evident through our words, our actions, our lives.

Leader: As we come to the empty tomb seeking forgiveness for all our faults and shortcomings, help us to re-order our priorities so that we put the risen Christ first in our lives at all times.

People: Forgive us when we forget that the tomb is forever empty because Jesus is here and is wherever Christians live and worship.

Leader: Help us always to remember the costly act of Jesus Christ that led to victory over sin and death, an act that gives us the gift of new beginning, guilt-free and graced by love. The tomb is empty because Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia. Amen!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Jesus "is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Hear, believe, and live the good news. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

(Based on Acts 10:42-43)

* SUNG ACCLAMATION

Leader: Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ:

All: He is Lord, he is Lord, he is risen from the dead, and he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. He is King, he is King, he will draw all nations to him; he is King! And the time shall be when the world shall sing that Jesus Christ is King. He is Love, he is Love, he has shown us by his life that he is love! All his people sing with one voice of joy that Jesus Christ is love! He is Life, he is Life, he has died to set us free, and he is life! And he calls us all to live evermore, for Jesus Christ is life.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

(Please share God's peace with those around you.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS, AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY AND OFFERING: Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

Philip W. J. Stopford

(Please do NOT ring bells.)

Christ the Lord is ris'n again, Christ hath broken every chain. Hark, angelic voices cry, Singing evermore on high Alleluia!

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife, is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross, lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry.

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save; now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!

- * DOXOLOGY (Please ring bells during "alleluias.")
 - All: 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. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Fred Gramann

(Please do NOT ring bells.)

Praise now the Risen Christ! Alleluia!

For the tomb could not hold him. See, Christ is alive. Alleluia!

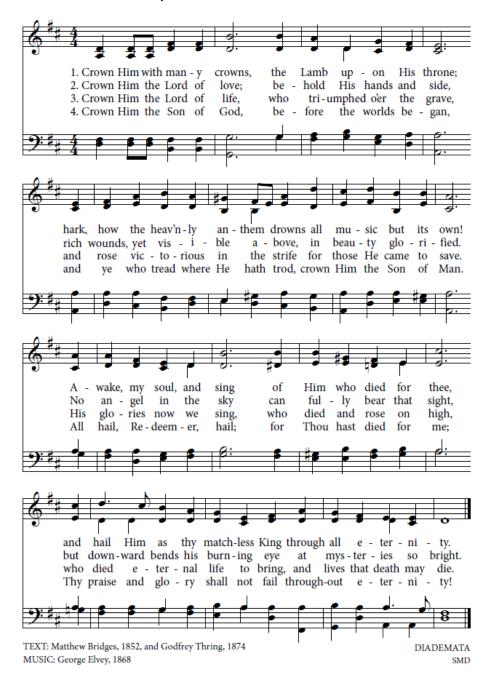
I know that my Redeemer lives, All glorious, Risen Christ.

Praise now the Risen Christ! Alleluia!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

CARL PICKARD

* HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns



WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

(Please stand for the reading of God's Word.)

READERS: JIM AND CAROL WILHOIT

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 118:14-24

- ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. 15 Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: "The Lord's right hand has done mighty things! The Lord's right hand is lifted high; 16 the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!" ₁₇ I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. 18 The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. ₂₀ This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. ₂₁ I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. ₂₂ The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; ₂₃ the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. ₂₄ The Lord has done it this very day;
- let us rejoice today and be glad. NIV
- * New Testament Scriptures

1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 12-19, 51-58

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After 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. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

¹² But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching

is useless and so is your faith. ¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

⁵¹ Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

⁵⁵ "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

* EASTER GREETING

Leader:	The Lord is risen!
People: All:	He is risen indeed.
All:	Alleluia! Amen.

SERMON: The King Who Took the Sting

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

(Ring bells during the "alleluias.")



- * BENEDICTION
- * EASTER GREETING

Leader:	The Lord is risen!
People:	He is risen indeed.
All:	Alleluia! Amen.

* Postlude

TODAY

If you have concerns or need prayer, Gaby Sosa will be available at the front of the worship area following the service.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Immanuel Choir, Immanuel Brass

The Food Pantry is closed today.

There are no Adult Ed or Sunday School classes today and no youth group tonight.

The College Fellowship Crew is gathering for Easter Dinner at 5:00 p.m. at the Bretsens'. Text or call 630-386-1534 if you would like to join us!

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	9:15 -11:00 a.m.	Women's Bible study
	11:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Food pantry open
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Mom Talk
Saturday	9:00 a.m 11:30 a.m.	Membership class
Coming		
Saturday		

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April 30	10:00 a.m.	PrimeTimers "This Is My Story"

WITNESSES TO THE RESURRECTION

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of those who die faithful to him."

Psalm 116:15

Rev. Bob Harvey Pastor and friend of Immanuel

Alan Johnson Dr. Jim Magary Husband and son-in-law of Rea Johnson

Marie and John Krucke Ernest and Verna Zimmerman Parents of John and Trudy Zimmerman

Kurt Krucke Nephew of Trudy Krucke Zimmerman

Jean and Irving Hopper Parents of Mary Hopper

Ruth and Eric Welander Parents of Peter Welander

Paul Heidebrecht Husband of Priscilla, father of Kecia, Caleb, and Andrew, and grandfather of Jeremiah, Eliza, Mark, Christopher, and Michael Paul

Ligaya Reyes Virginia Engelhardt Grandmothers of Mel and Heather Reyes Great-grandmother of Oliva and Astrid

Jocelyn Monis Beloved teacher of Olivia Reyes

Cornelius Balzer Father of Dan Balzer Grandfather of Luciana and Serena Balzer

Micah Shadid Nephew of Dan and Phebe, Cousin of Serena and Luciana Balzer

John and Virginia Burch Parents of John Burch Grandparents of Karen and Anna Burch

Ruth Grimm Mother of Bev Burch Grandmother of Karen and Anna Burch

Christine Cornell Steve Cornell

Paul and Mardi Cornell Parents of Steve Cornell Betty and Leo Glasgow Parents of Sharon Cornell

Joe Spradley Husband of Marilyn Spradley Father/grandfather of the Smoak family

Stephen Loney Uncle of Emily, Audra, Hope and Neil Loney

Phil and Del Garrison John Ritsema Parents of George and Susan Grandparents of Christina and Stephen

Kelsey Steagall Mackenzie Steagall Nieces of George and Susan, Cousins of Christina and Stephen Garrison

Gene and Clara Westfall Parents of Steve Westfall

Jerome, Mary, and Bruce Leksa Parents and brother of Janet Westfall

James and Carol Morrison Father of Dawn Curley

Ellis and Connie Curley Parents of Tim Curley

Robert Heinrich Charles and Catherine LaPlaca Parents of David and Annette LaPlaca Grandparents of Julia, Rob, Lucy, and D. J.

Bill Stock Father of Karin Buursma Father-in-law of Joel Buursma Grandfather of Miriam and Bethany Buursma

Virginia Patterson Good friend of Judy Bryson

Darrell Reneker Father of Doug Reneker

Clarence and Helen Sheedy Parents of Marge Reneker

Ellie Swanson Wife of Jack Swanson William "Bill" Jerdan Beloved husband, father, grandfather

Virgil and Emily Hagen Parents of Diane Jerdan

Lydia Netzel Mother of Ron Netzel Grandmother of Sophie

Willard Ong Father of Dee Netzel Grandfather of Sophie

Herald and Doris Miller Lyle and Sylvia Connolly Parents of Dean and Karen Miller

Eldon and Reva Arnold Parents of Dean Arnold

Bill and Opal Trottier Parents of June Arnold and Dean Arnold

Roger Lundin Husband of Sue Father of Matt, Kirsten, and Tom

George and Edna Meloy Father and Mother of Sue Lundin

Seth and Caleb Scheidt Sons of Scott and Anna Scheidt

Rev. Paul F. DeVries Husband of Jean DeVries, Father of Andrea Kendrick Grandfather of Anna and Hope Great-grandfather of Ruby and Della

Jerry C. Kendrick Father of Michael Kendrick Grandfather of Anna and Hope

Vivan Whitaker Wife of Howard Mother of Annika and Marika

Roger Nystrom Brother of Suzanne Nystrom Anderson

John David Shaffer Son of Virginia and Clint Brother of Bill and Shai **Bill and Cid Davidson** Parents of Virginia Shaffer Grandparents of Bill and Shai

Edie Shaffer Mother of Clint Grandmother of Bill and Shai

Allen Davidson Brother of Virginia Shaffer Uncle of Bill and Shai

Randy Lawrence Son of Frank and Barbara Lawrence Brother of Ryan, Rob, and Rachel

Rev. John and Ann Golla Stanley and Ruth Johnson Parents of Jodie and Stu Johnson

Ivan and Leona Levy Herbert and Vinona Sinclair Parents of Marilyn and Leon Sinclair

Evelyn Taylor Mother and grandmother of the Holman family

Brian and Irene Holman Parents and grandparents of the Holman family

Roy and Ann Oliva Parents, grandparents, great-grandparents Blackstone and Klassen families

Robert and Anna Kronberg Athan and Frieda Economides Parents of John and Joyce Economides Grandparents of Tim and Sharon

Cindy and Roger Oslund Ruby and Floyd Ritchie Parents of Sheroll Ritchie Parents of Kevin Ritchie

Sue Green Long time friend of Joy Hudson

Bob "Baba" Skillen Grandfather of Fiona Balfe

Arabella Mathues Stillborn daughter of Lauren and David Mathues **Jim Sayer** Husband/father/grandfather of Cathy Sayer/Annie Rose, Malena and Eliza

Harold Wilson Father, grandfather of Cathy Sayer/Annie Rose

Don Van Gelderen Husband of Arlene Van Gelderen

Bill and Hazel Bonnema Grandparents of Bob and Becky Williams

Terry Geers Long-time friend of Ralph and Margaret Lambka

Frances, Dick, Richard and Marcia Wright Grandparents, uncles and aunt of Andrew L. Wright

Paul and Imogene Martin Parents of Paula Bouck Grandparents of Andrew Wright

Ryan Christopher Wetters Son of Brian and Kathy Wetters

James and Lucy Mann Henry and Genevieve Weyenberg Parents of Jim and Dottie Mann

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June Craig Louise Larson Grandmothers of Leah Witte

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