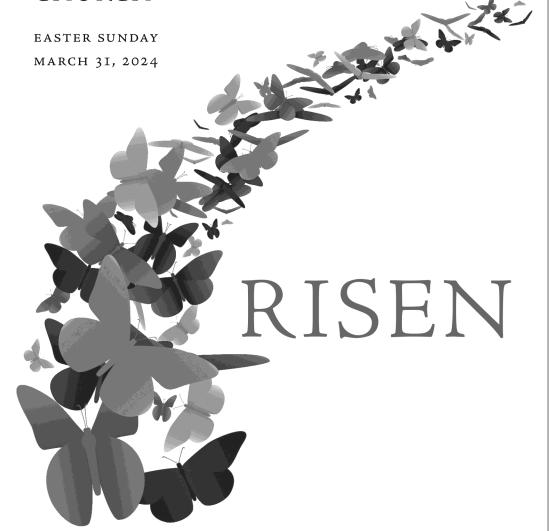
# **IMMANUEL**

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



#### Who We Seek to Be

In our love for Christ and guided by God's Word we seek to be a community of

**Joyful Worship**, thoughtfully centered in the wonder and wisdom of the living God and celebrating the diversity of the body of Christ.

**Loving Fellowship**, encouraging and serving one another in the unifying love of the Holy Spirit.

**Life-changing Learning**, biblically-based preaching and teaching to equip children, youth, and adults to grow in their relationship with God.

**Enthusiastic Service**, reflecting the servant heart of Jesus as we proclaim the gospel near and far in word and deed.

Prelude: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Robert A. Hobby

#### 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 ANGELA WISDOM

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 HEATHER REYES

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!

THE STONE ANDY LE PEAU

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 MARION ANDERSON

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!

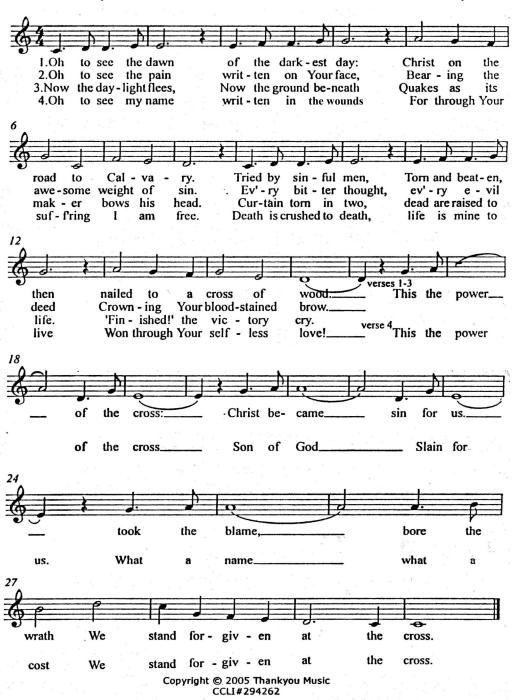
THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

We will observe the centuries-old tradition of the "flowering of the cross" this Easter morning. Ushers will invite you 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.

EASTER INTROIT JOHN FERGUSON

Listen.

The one who bore God's heart,
The one who spoke God's peace
The one in whom God agonized
is now the Risen Lord.
Death was no prison for him.
Jesus is raised and among us.
All that you see and hear
comes from the One who was freed.
Listen. Hear, O People of God
that Jesus Christ is Lord. Alleluia.



#### \* Invocation

#### \* Easter Greeting

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

\* HYMN: Lift High the Cross

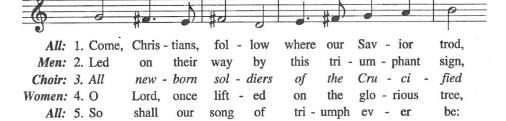
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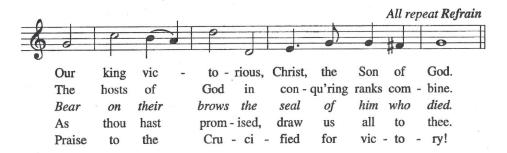
George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912 Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956 CRUCIFER Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947











CALL TO CONFESSION RON NETZEL

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 short-

comings, help us to reorder 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 (Please stand)

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: Easter Festival

Michael S. Bryson

(Please do not ring bells during this anthem.)

Christ the Lord is risen today! All creation, join to say; Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heavens and earth, reply: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King. Where, O death, is now thy sting? Dying once He all doth save. Where thy victory, O grave?

Love's redeeming work is done. Fought the fight, the battle won. Death in vain forbids Him rise. Christ has opened paradise.

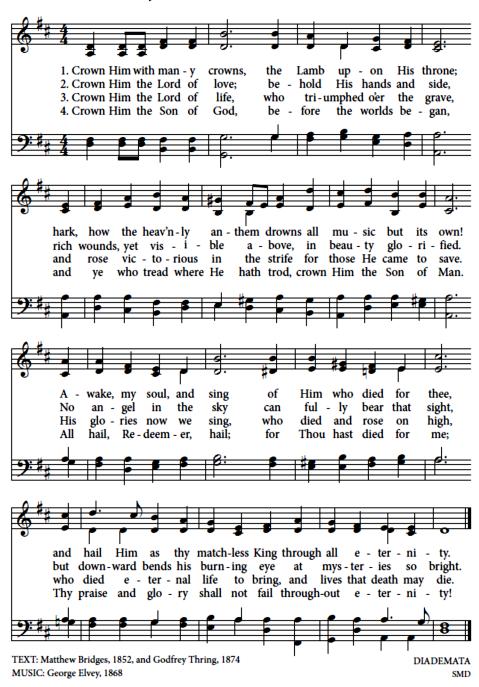
Soar we now where Christ has led. Following our exalted Head. Made like Him, like Him we rise. Ours the cross, the grave the skies.

\* 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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER STEVE WESTFALL

\* Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns



#### WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: LAUREN AND DAVID MATHUES

- \* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 118:14-24
  - <sup>14</sup> The Lord is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.
  - <sup>15</sup> 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; the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!"

<sup>17</sup> I will not die but live,

and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

<sup>18</sup> The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death.

<sup>19</sup> Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

<sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

- <sup>21</sup> I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.
- <sup>22</sup> The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

<sup>23</sup> the Lord has done this,

- and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- <sup>24</sup> The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.
- \* New Testament Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 12-19, 51-58

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

(continued)

<sup>12</sup> 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? <sup>13</sup> If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. <sup>15</sup> 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. <sup>16</sup> For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. <sup>17</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup> Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. <sup>19</sup> If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>51</sup> Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— <sup>52</sup> 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. <sup>53</sup> For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. <sup>54</sup> 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."

<sup>55</sup> "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

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

<sup>58</sup> 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: He is risen indeed.
All: Alleluia! Amen.

SERMON: When Our Narrative Changed Forever

#### WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE



## \* BENEDICTION

## \* EASTER GREETING

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

#### TODAY

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

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

The Food Pantry is closed today.

There is no youth group tonight.

# THIS WEEK

Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study (childcare)
	11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry open
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Mothering Together
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# Coming

Sunday (April 7) 6:00 p.m. **Mothering Together** 

<sup>\*</sup> Postlude

#### 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

Former pastor and friend of Immanuel

Marie and John Krucke **Ernest and Verna Zimmerman** 

Parents of John and Trudy Zimmerman

Hetty Konemann Krucke

Sister-in-law of Trudy 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-grandmothers of Oliva and Astrid

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

Joe Spradley

Husband of Marilyn Spradley

Virgil and Emily Hagon Bill and Eleanor Jerdan

Parents of Bill and Diane Jerdan

Ellie Swanson

Wife of Jack Swanson

**Dottye Luttrell** 

Wife of Lew Luttrell

**Christine Cornell, Dave Cornell** Ray Feist, Len Enz

Wife, brother, brother-in-law, son-in-law Given by Steve and Sharon Cornell

Paul and Mardi Cornell

Parents of Steve Cornell

**Betty and Leo Glasgow** Parents of Sharon Cornell

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 Christiana and Stephen Garrison

Gene and Clara Westfall

Parents of Steve Westfall

Rev. Jerome, Mary, and Bruce Leksa

Parents and brother of Janet Westfall

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Morrison

Parents of Dawn Curley

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Curley

Parents of Tim Curley

Robert Heinrich

Charles and Katy LaPlaca

Parents of David and Annette LaPlaca

Grandparents of Lucy and D. J.

**Darrell and Joan** 

Parents of Doug Reneker

Clarence and Helen Sheedy

Parents of Marge Reneker

Mark Weckesser

Bill Jerdan

Father and Grandfather of Weckesser family

**Kathy Davis** 

Aunt of Rachel Ehorn

Janet Ehorn

Aunt of Seth Ehorn

Herald and Doris Miller Lyle and Sylvia Connolly

Parents of Dean and Karen Miller

Eldon and Reva Arnold Parents of Dean Arnold

Wilfred and Opal Trottier Parents of June 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 and Barbara Kendrick Parents of Michael Kendrick Grandparents of Anna and Hope

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

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

Evelyn Taylor Brian and Irene Holman Parents and Grandparents of Colin, Sarah, Nathaniel and Timothy Holman

**Tom and Nancy Clinkenbeard**Dear friends

Harry and Fern Blackstone Roy and Ann Oliva

Parents, grandparents, great-grandparents of Jerry and Dody Blackstone, and Heather, Wes, Carter and Abbott Klassen

**Arabella Mathues**Daughter of Lauren and David Mathues

Robert and Anna Kronberg AJ and Frieda Economides

Parents/grandparents/great papou of John, Joyce, Tim, Sarah and Aethan Economides

Larry Walker

Father, father-in-law of Lauren and David Mathues

Jim Sayer

Husband of Cathy Sayer

Harold and Peggy Wilson Parents and grandparents of Cathy Sayer, Annie Rose and family

**Ryan Christopher Wetters** Son of Brian and Kathy Wetters

**Dr. Frances White**Dear friend of Jack and Theo Robinson

**Barbie Lawson**Wife of Ken Lawson

**Diana Sheldon**Mentor and friend of Joy Hudson

**Henry and Margaret Wynstra** Parents of Priscilla Witte

Walter and Ruth Schlagel
Father and mother of Alethea Funck

**Stanley and Rhoda Funck**Father and mother of Larry Funck

Ray Fitzgerald Son-in-law of Ken and Sharon Wolgemuth

Sam and Grace Wolgemuth Hosea and Irene Osterhus Parents of Ken and Sharon Wolgemuth

Lee Myra Brother of Jeanette Myra

Coral Rupprecht Mother of Jean van Wyk

**Steve van Wyk** Father of Tim van Wyk Vivian Whitaker

Wife of Howard Whitaker

Mother and grandmother of Durbin family

**Roger Nystrom** 

Brother of Suzanne Nystrom Anderson

**Bob Carlson** 

Husband of April Carlson

**Clyde and Muriel Dennis** 

Parents of April Dennis Carlson

Farid

Brother-in-law of Susan Tokh

Jane and John Damon Cora and Henry Schuurman

Parents of John and Janet Schuurman

Alva Steffler

Husband, father, grandfather, friend

**Janet Sweney Shaw** 

Mother of Babmi Penney

Donald R. Bauer

Husband, father, grandfather of Mary Jane, Beth and Emma Bauer and Sarah Bauer (and Chris) Kennedy

**Don and Peg Penney** 

Parents of Doug, Don Penney and Cathy Schultz

**Janet Carroll** 

Friend of Darlene VanDyke

Barbara Vondrak

Mother of Kathy Jacobsma

Ruth Jacobsma

Mother of John Jacobsma

**Esther Lee** 

Friend of Leah Witte

Phyllis Le Peau

Wife of Andy Le Peau

Bill Stock

Father of Karin Buursma

Laurie Berry and Jodi O'Brien

Grandma and mom of Ashlyn O'Brien and Anthony Roman

**Daniel Penn Roman** 

Son of Marcia and John Roman

Janice and Fred Donda

Parents/inlaws of Cindy Donda

and Richard Roman

SI fetus 9 wks

Grandchild of Marcia and John Roman

Mattie Lou Walker

Grandmother of Hannah Walker

**Bob and Peggy Carlson** 

Parents of Carrie Carlson

Elisabeth, William, Hazel

Grandparents of Bob and Becky Williams

Parents who have entered into glory

Steve and Cindy Bretsen

**Bonnie Brabenec** 

Wife of Bob, mother of Laura, grandma of Gabbee

**Janet Ong** 

Mother of Dee Netzel Grandmother of Sophie

Willard Ong

Father of Dee Netzel, grandfather of Sophie

Lvdia Netzel

Mother of Ron, grandmother of Sophie

Joe Jendrzejczyk

Husband of Ginny Jendrzejczyk

Becky Lynn Jendrzejczyk

Daughter of Ginny Jendrzejczyk

Chelsea Nease

Great granddaughter of Ginny Jendrzejczyk

Thomas Horn

Son of Ann, brother of Daniel Paul Horn

**Dietrich Ancestors** 

Dad, grandparents of Mike Dietrich

Dee Gosling

Wife of Chuck Gosling

Alan Johnson

James Magary, M.D.

Husband and son-in-law of Rea Johnson

John Fitchuk

Husband of Janet Fitchuk

**Betty Beck** 

Mother of Chris and Amy Danusiar

Zondra Lindblade

Wife of Jack Swanson

**Murry and Elaine Perkins** 

Dear friends

Marilyn Cook

Dear friend

Maria Walford

Wife, mother, grandmother of John, David, Aimee, Michael, Kathleen, and Emma

Ron Schlaman

Dear friend

Kathy Woodard

Dear friend

Fran Anderson

Dear friend

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