ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, April 24th Resurrection of our Lord!

8:30 a.m. ~ Easter Breakfast 1:30 p.m. ~ ASTA Care Service May Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, April 30th 9:00 a.m. ~ UCC Association Meeting in Bloomington

> Friday & Saturday, May 13th & 14th Church Rummage Sale

RUMMAGE SALE!!!

We can use anything clean and usable. Men, women and children clean out your closets, cupboards, workshops & toy chests. There is a NEED of others for your unused belongings. We also need bags and hangers. Give us a call if you need pickup of merchandise.

Greeters Liturgists Ushers Elders

May ~ J. Goudy's, Andreae, Struss, Ellis

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th - Vicki Cole 4th - Michelle Shanks 20th - Elizabeth Satterlee 29th - Doug Niewold 30th - Lou Lateer

Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing and faith for these friends and family members

Glen Vermette

Vail Moore - recuperating at home
Kitty Anderson - recuperating at home
John Goudy - recuperating at home
Bill Cofel

Homebound or in Nursing Homes

Donald & Dorothy Rhodes

Jani Fraim - Room 219, GC Hospital & Health Center

Wanda Larson - La Canada Care Facility, Tucson, AZ

Marcella Woodworth - Prairie Village, Rantoul

Eloise Shear at Gilman Nursing Home, Gilman

For the month of April, please bring peanut butter, jelly, cereal & hamburger/tuna helper for the Food Pantry. As always, all non-perishable food items are welcomed.

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Rev. Dr. Robert Ross, Pastor Emeritus



Welcome to our guests!

Please take a minute to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

Sharing of Joys, News, Concerns

Prelude "Trumpet Tune"

Michael Helman

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Pastor: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Trapped for three days in death's strong bonds, the Lord of life and

love prevails.

All: The sign of Jonah is given! Life has conquered death!

Pastor: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

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Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with you also.

Prayer of the Day He Is Not Here, But Has Risen!

and be crucified, and on the third day rise again."

Pastor: But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

Women: They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body.

Pastor: While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.

Women: The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, Men: but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners,

Women: Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. (Luke 24:1-9)

*All who are able, PLEASE STAND

First Reading Jonah 2:10-3:10

Psalm 18 Melody: St. Anne

(In this styling, the reading of the psalm is interrupted by phrases of the hymn.

The organ may softly hold the chord over the reading.)

Pastor: I love you, Lord God, and you make me strong.

All: God is our refuge and our strength, Our help from day to day.

Pastor: The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer, my savior and my stronghold, my sword and shield.

All: The Lord who saves us from our foes— To him in faith we pray.

Pastor: The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of perdition assaulted me; the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

All: The Lord who saves us from our foes— To him in faith we pray.

Pastor: In my distress I called upon the Lord; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and listened to my prayer.

All: God is our refuge and our strength, Our help from day to day.

Pastor: The Lord reached down from above and took hold of me; he pulled me out of the deep waters. He rescued me from my powerful enemies and from all those who hate me. They were too strong for me—but not for him.

All: God is our refuge and our strength, Our help from day to day.

Pastor: The Lord supported me and delivered me. He set me free because he delighted in me.

All: The Lord who saves us from our foes— To him in faith we pray.

Holy Gospel Matthew 12:38-41

The Sign of Jonah: "The Sign of Life!"

The Creed

Hymn *Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!*

Hallelujah! Jesus lives! He is now the Living One; From the gloomy halls of death, Christ, the conqueror, has gone, Bright forerunner to the skies of his people, yet to rise.

Jesus lives! And thus, my soul, life eternal waits for you; Joined to him, your living head, where he is, you shall be too; With the Lord, at his right hand, as a victor you shall stand.

Hallelujah! Angels sing! Join with us in hymns of praise. Let your chorus swell the strain which our feebler voices raise:

Glory to our God above and on earth his peace and love!

Offerings and Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Sacrament of Lord's Supper

*Closing Hymn

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, he lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever living Head.

He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;
He lives all glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.

He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same. Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives, "I know that my Redeemer lives!"

*Benediction

*Postlude "Hallelujah"

Handel

Organist - Priscilla Andreae

