

A Service of Worship  
April 24, 2022  
*Second Sunday of Easter*

**We Gather at God's Call**

Introit

Pouring of the Water

Prelude

Greeting

\*Call to Worship

Nancy Davis, Worship Leader

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed!**

Give thanks for God's amazing power!

**Sing Alleluia to our Lord and King**

Let everything with life and breath praise God!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, praise the Lord.**

\*Hymn

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

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*Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!*

*Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?*

*Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly for aye we adore him.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts,  
when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world,  
forgive us and help us to find our voice.  
When we are afraid to forgive and to love again,  
forgive us and give us the power to forgive.  
When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority,**

**join with the weak to make us all strong.  
When we are confined by the hurts,  
touch us with your wounded hands and set us free.  
When we are locked behind our doubts and fears,  
pass through our barricades,  
open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness.

Jesus Christ comes with healing light into our locked places and shadowy hurts, resurrecting our spirits and breathing into us new life. As God's forgiven people, we are sent to share peace, forgiveness and new life with others.

**Thanks be to God for the gift of life brought to us through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.**

Response of Praise

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*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Give praise to his name*

*Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
Jesus has died and has risen. (Refrain)*

**We Gather around God's Word**

Time with the Children

Hannah Altman

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Sermon

Pastor Ann Pettit

**We Respond to God's Word**

\*Psalm of Praise

Psalm 150

**Praise God in his holy house of worship,  
praise him under the open skies;  
Praise him for his acts of power,  
praise him for his magnificent greatness;  
Praise with a blast on the trumpet,  
praise by strumming soft strings;  
Praise him with castanets and dance,  
praise him with banjo and flute;  
Praise him with cymbals and a big bass drum,  
praise him with fiddles and mandolin.  
Let every living, breathing creature praise God!  
Hallelujah!**

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

*Hymn of Promise*

*Sleeth*

**We Are Sent to the World**

\*Hymn

*Christ is Alive*

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*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.*

*Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching every place and time.*

*In every insult, rift, and war  
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.*

*Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.*

Benediction

\*Benediction Response

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*Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.*