

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
The Resurrection of the Lord
March 23, 2008 – 11:00 AM

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Fantasia on Praise Him!*
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
INTROIT *Praise Him!* (Clark/Allen)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Trumpets sound.

Angels sing.

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Joy fills our innermost being.

Children giggle with delight.

Christ is risen!

He is risen!

Love dances on an empty tomb.

Death has lost its fearful grip.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Butterflies burst free from cocoons.

Alleluias bounce off the walls.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

*OPENING PRAYER

***Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!**

(Blue book #123)

*CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made.

Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. (*Silent prayers of personal confession.*)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...Hear and believe the Good News of the gospel!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!

*CONFESSION RESPONSE:

(Red book #123)

Because he lives I can face tomorrow.

Because he lives all fear is gone.

Because I know he holds the future,

And life is worth the living

just because he lives.

1971 William J. Gaither, Inc.

*THE PEACE

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CHORAL ANTHEM *Ring the Easter Bells*

(Martin)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: John 20:11-18

Acts 10:39-41

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "When You Bump Into the Lord"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* **Christ Is Alive** (Blue book #108)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that the LORD is God, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

who called us in righteousness,

who took us by the hand and kept us;

who has given us as a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out from the prison

those who sit in darkness.

We believe the former things have come to pass, and new things now spring forth.

For we believe the one seated on the throne of heaven who says

"See, I am making all things new."

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

(arr. Angerman)

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory prayer

**THE SACRAMENT
OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Bind Us Together (Red book #140)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices
with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful
of every time and place who forever sing to
the glory of your mighty name,

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power, God of might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!**

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...Let us proclaim together
the great mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.
Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

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... through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are
yours, eternal God, now and forever.

Amen, amen, amen! Amen, amen, amen!

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Blue book pg 16)

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING PRAYER

***Christ Is Risen!** (Blue book #109)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:
(Red book #128)

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth
with peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth
before you.
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of
the field
Will clap, will clap their hands!
And all the trees of the field will clap their
hands, (*clap, clap*)
The trees of the field will clap their hands,
(*clap, clap*)
The trees of the field will clap their hands
(*clap, clap*)
While you go out with joy! (Repeat)**

1975 Lillenas Publishing

*POSTLUDE *He is Lord* (Sewell)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you to our service and hope you
will experience the warmth of God's love.
Thanks to Jean and Bob Holmes for filling the
pulpit.

Please pray for: The Maegly family in the death
of Jim Kinsler. Karen Greenhow, Karen Peters,
Steve Diehl, and John Paul Baker celebrate
their baptismal anniversaries this week.

Easter Lilies were given: In memory of Earl
Maegy and Jim Kinsler by Mary Maegly; Harry
Ludwig, Pat and Bill Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C.J.
Randall, Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Holmes and Jack
Holmes by the Rev. Jean Holmes; Edward
Fenton Moss and Lillian Hasenstab by Doris
Moss; "Bish" Bishop; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bromm
and Mr. and Mrs. Hinnners by Candy and Jerry
Hinnners; Carmen and Grace Costanzo; Ernest
and Gloria Daniel; Marcella and Arthur
Barnaclo and Margaret and John Schweitzer;
Richard Gibbs; Frank and Richard Greenhow;
and Clyde and Estelle Schroth and Mr. and
Mrs. R.A. Schroth by Janet Stadtmiller; and in
honor of the choirs and praise band by Becky
Morrison.

We will be hosting IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) families at St. Agnes Church on **Wednesday evening March 26**. Volunteers are needed to provide a part of the meal, serve as dinner hosts, serve as activities/games hosts, and perform housekeeping duties during the day. If you can help please **sign up today or next Sunday on the poster** in the Narthex. For more information contact Dawn Miller or Debbie Daly or visit our website.

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday March 30 at 10:45 AM for the purpose of accepting nominations for this year's Nominating Committee.

Our worship service March 30, will be CSPC's second annual observance of Holy Humor Sunday. You can participate by wearing clown garb, a funny hat, etc. Come and celebrate the joy of Easter in a lighter way.

The Spring edition of The Clarion is in your church family mailbox. Keep updated on church news and read interesting articles written by members of our congregation. We invite you to share YOUR stories with the congregation through the newsletter. For more information call Billie Grant at 331-5977.

Attendance last week: 8:30 – 78; 11:00 – 46

THIS WEEK AT CSPC:

Today - Adult Choir 10:00 (Becky Morrison)
Mon - Bull Riders open meeting 7:00
Mon - AA 8:15
Tues - Bound by Books 7:00 (Michele Hogan)
Wed - Chicks with Sticks 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
(Stephanie Thoeny)
Wed - Bells 6:45 (Becky Morrison)
Thurs - Piecemakers 7:00 (Lynne Baker/Ruth Eubank)
Thurs - Music Focus Group 7:00 (Becky Morrison)
Sat - Men's Fellowship 8:00 (Tim Reed)

COMING UP AT CSPC:

Mar 30 - Congregational Meeting 10:45

Apr 1 - Deacons 7:00 (Doug Thompson)
Apr 5 - Firesiders 7:00 (Dinner/Game Night)
(Lisa Handlon/Bethany Brewer)
Apr 7 - Session 7:00
Apr 9 - Chicks with Sticks 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
(Stephanie Thoeny)
Apr 14 - Mary Esther Circle 12:30 (Ruth Schweitzer)

Apr 19 - Building & Grounds Work Day 9:30

Apr 20 - Firesiders 6:30 (Lisa Handlon/Bethany Brewer)
Apr 22 - Bound by Books 7:00 (Michele Hogan)
Apr 23 - Chicks with Sticks 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
(Stephanie Thoeny)
Apr 24 - Piecemakers 7:00 (Lynne Baker/Ruth Eubank)

Single worship services at 10:00 AM Pentecost, (May 18) through August 31 - Ideas contact Janet Stadtmiller 859-743-7700

