

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“My Spirit Be Joyful”  
Instrumental Ensemble

J. S. Bach

Trumpet Soloists: Casey Geisz, David Morley

Invocation

Holy God,  
we gather in manic confusion.  
Christ rose, but Jesus died.  
As we struggle to grasp your majesty  
our fingers are burned by your passion.  
We live, but first we die.  
Holy God,  
we gather in manic confusion.  
Meet us here  
among the lilies.

\*Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Easter Hymn

Christ the Lord is risen today,—Alleluia!  
Mortal tongues and angels say:—Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high—Alleluia!  
Sing glad heavens and earth reply—Alleluia!

Vain the answers, scattered ‘round—Alleluia!  
Wisdom wrapped in mys’tries shroud—Alleluia!  
Arts and science glimpses show—Alleluia!  
Only partial truth to know—Alleluia!

Rise all creatures praise to sing—Alleluia!  
Tombs and tulips witness bring—Alleluia!  
Seeds once dormant now arise—Alleluia!  
Death has opened doors for life—Alleluia!

Now we too with love transcend—Alleluia!  
Fol-l’wing our beloved friend—Alleluia!  
One in Christ, our spirits rise—Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies—Alleluia!

## Welcome!

### A word about diversity:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

### A word about children:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional child-care is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.

### A word about special needs:

Signing our 11:00am service this morning is Nancy Medaris. Special seating is available as needed. We are happy to provide transportation to worship and special activities. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experience more accessible.



The Nesting Place by Jan Martin McGuire

## Welcome Center

New to our community? Please stop by the Welcome Center in center of the Narthex (outside the sanctuary) to learn more about our community, our facility, and our programs.

\*An asterisk next to a section means that we stand for this part of the service as we are able.

## Call to Worship

One: The flowers are blooming,  
the greeting is expansive.

Many: **Christ has risen!**  
It's our time...

One: The roses have thorns,  
the welcome is guarded.

Many: **Christ has risen!**  
It's our time...

One: The flowers are worthy,  
the encounter sufficient.

Many: **Christ has risen!**  
It's our time...

## Response 236

"Halle, Halle"

trad.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ja..

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ja.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu -

- ja. Hal - le - lu - ja, hal - le - lu - ja.

## Anthem

"An Empty Tomb at Easter Dawn" arr. Holden-Holloway  
Chancel Choir and Instrumental Ensemble

## Sacred Text

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala,  
Mary the mother of James, and Salome,  
bought spices with which to go and anoint Jesus.

And very early in the morning on the first day of the week  
they went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

They had been saying to one another,  
Who will roll away the stone for us  
from the entrance to the tomb?

But when they looked they could see that the stone  
—which was very big—had already been rolled back.

On entering the tomb they saw a youth in a white robe seated on the right-hand side, and they were struck with amazement.

But the youth said to them: There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: Jesus has risen, and is not here.

See, here is the place where they laid him. But you must go and tell the disciples and Peter: Jesus is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him, just as he told you."

So they went out and fled from the tomb, for both terror and amazement had seized them. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

We look with uncertainty beyond the old choices for clear-cut answers to a softer, more permeable aliveness which is every moment at the brink of death; for something new is being born in us if we but let it. We stand at a new doorway, awaiting that which comes. . . Daring to be human creatures. Vulnerable to the beauty of existence. Learning to love.

...Anne Hillman

### Chancel Steps "The Ugly Duckling" Hans Christian Anderson, retold

Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story. Following the story, young children may choose to go to the nursery (both services) or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).

### \*Hymn

tune: Noël Nouvelet  
words: John Crum



Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain;  
Christ came forth at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,  
When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing or in pain,



Wheat that in dark earth for man - y days has lain;  
Je - sus, who for three days in the grave had lain,  
Christ's warm touch can call us back to life a - gain,



Love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:  
Quick from the dead the ris - en One is seen:  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



Love is come a - gain like wheat that ris - es green.  
Love is come a - gain like wheat that ris - es green.  
Love is come a - gain like wheat that ris - es green.



The origin of religious theory...

Sir James Fraser,  
"The Golden Bough", 1922

In course of time, the slow advance of knowledge, which has dispelled so many cherished illusions, convinced at least the more thoughtful portion of mankind that the alternations of summer and winter, of spring and autumn, were not merely the result of their own magical rites, but that some deeper cause, some mightier power, was at work behind the shifting scenes of nature.

They now pictured to themselves the growth and decay of vegetation, the birth and death of living creatures, as effects of the waxing or waning strength of divine beings, of gods and goddesses, who were born and died, who married and begot children, on the pattern of human life. Thus the old magical theory of the seasons was displaced, or rather supplemented, by a religious theory.

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING  
AND ONE GREAT HOUR GIFTS  
ARE GIVEN BY...

DAVE, ELAINE, HANNAH & FRANCIS  
*In celebration of  
Easter Joy!*

GENO & LOLA CONTESTABILE  
*In memory of Monty, Elizabeth  
and Caroline*

JEFFREY DAVIS  
*In celebration of Megan Davis*

MARGE ENGELSDORFER & FAMILY  
*In memory of Rev. Del  
Engelsdorfer*

CAROLYN HELD & DARCY  
SWANSON  
*In memory of Evelyn Held  
In memory of Susan Swanson*

COLLEEN GILMORE, LORETTA  
HAGGARD & JONATHAN  
*In memory of Marcia  
Haggard*

COLLEEN GILMORE  
*In memory of my patients who  
have died*

JUDY & SCOTT GUERRERO  
*In celebration of  
Family & Friends*

ROBERT & GIGI HILL  
*In celebration of  
Family*

JERRY & FRAN LAMONT  
*In celebration of  
Our Capital Campaign*



**Sermon** "Coming Home to Galilee" Katherine Hawker

**Anthem** "Gloria from Mass in C Major" W. A. Mozart  
Chancel Choir and Instrumental Ensemble

Trans: *Highest glory to God and to all the world, peace*

**Moment for Mission** "It's Our Time..." Lowell Zuck,  
Capital Campaign

**Anthem** 11:00am "Bless the Lord, My Soul" Psalm 103  
Folk Choir

**Table Fellowship  
Invitation  
Remembrance and Blessing**

Come, Holy Spirit, come.  
Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.  
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking  
that our eyes might be opened,  
that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst  
indeed, in one another. Come, Holy Spirit, come.

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...  
partaking of the bread and cup,  
placing an offering in the plates beside the table,  
lighting a prayer candle on the altar...  
We sing together as we process.*

**\*Communion Hymns** "In the Bulb" Hymn of Promise  
Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower;  
in the seed, an apple tree;  
In cocoons, a hidden promise:  
butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,  
seeking word and melody;  
There's a dawn in every darkness,  
bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future;  
what it holds, a mystery,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;  
in our time, infinity;  
In our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity,  
In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.

"This Morning" Traditional African-American

I woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus.  
Woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus.  
Woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus.  
Hal-le-lu, hal-le-lu, hal-le-lu-jah.

Singing and praying with my mind, stayed on Jesus...

Walking and talking with my mind, stayed on Jesus...

"King of Kings" Traditional  
Inspired by Naomi Batya and Sophie Conty

King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Glory, Hallelujah!  
King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Glory, Hallelujah!  
Jesus, Prince of Peace, Glory, Hallelujah!  
Jesus, Prince of Peace, Glory, Hallelujah!

Holiness and mystery, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)  
Fill us Holy one, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)

Celebrate God's love revealed, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)  
Neigh-bor, now to love, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)

Empty tomb show love has won!, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)  
Ea-ster, songs now sing, Glory, Hallelujah! (repeat)

### \*Prayer of Dedication

One: We have seen the love and power of God  
who triumphs over the powers of sin and death  
Many: So we leave behind the things of the past  
and look to the future with confidence.

One: It's our time...  
Many: Amen.

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NANCY & PAUL MACK  
*In memory of their parents*

BOB RISK & RAY MULLIGAN  
*In celebration of  
Our Capital Campaign*

WYNN & VICKIE MILLER  
*In celebration of the blessings  
of family, friends and our faith  
community*

CHRISTINE ROHLOFF  
*In memory of Gwen Beach,  
Kay Rohloff, William and Marie  
Kluge  
In honor of Ben and Jessica  
Beach, Adam and Vanessa  
Beach*

LISA SMITH & LAURIE CHRISCO  
*In celebration of  
Jesse Smith, Mary Rhodes and  
Helen Amy*

ROGER & POLLY STAHLHUTH  
*In celebration of  
Catherine and Eddie Stahlhuth  
In celebration of Dr. and Mrs.  
Frank G. Mays and son Frank II*

MARILYN STAVENGER  
*In memory of Jean Thomas  
(1922-1995)*

JILL THOMPSON & DONITA BAUER  
*In memory of Jim and Fern  
Thompson and Dorothy Bauer*

TOUCHETTE FAMILY  
*In memory of Eleanor and  
Wally Wissmann*

LORI WINTER  
*In memory of Jim and Tom  
Winter*



## Upcoming Worship Celebrations

April 19th—A celebration of the ministry of Carolyn Held with Lydia's House, EUCC, and the St. Louis Association.

April 26th—New Members received in worship.

May 3rd—Children's Choir shares "Paul's Journey" at the 11am service.

May 10th—Mother's Day and a celebration of High School Graduates.

May 17th—Chancel Choir shares Faure's Requiem at the 11am service.

May 25th—Pentecost Sunday and celebration of Confirmation.

June 7th—Celebration Sunday with all-church picnic.

### \*Hymn

"A toi la gloire, ô Ressuscité!" Judas Maccabeus  
(Yours is the Glory) adapted



Lo! Christ is with us, ris - en from the tomb;  
Gath - ered to - geth - er, tim - id faith pro - claim,  
Love for one a - noth - er, con - quers hope - less doom;  
Sac - red space not teth - ered, cred - o we would name,  
Let the church with glad - ness, hymns of joy now sing;  
Still we find we're haunt - ed, ques - tions we can't hide.  
For with Christ a - ris - en, death has lost its sting.  
In - quir - y un - daun - ted, great - er truth a - bides.  
Yours is the glo - ry, ris - en shin - ing One,  
End - less now the vic - tory, You o'er e - vil won.

### \*Blessing

### \*Postlude



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## Announcements for Our Community

Today at EUCC During our Coffee Hour today, you are invited to hear a presentation by Dr. Steve Patterson called "Raising Jesus from the Dead." Children are invited to attend the Easter Party in the Green Room and the Youth invite all to the Pancake Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall.

Special Monthly Offering In celebration of our congregation's outreach in the community, the Servant Team invites you to make a generous contribution to EUCC during this holy Easter season.

Job Jar The Job Jar Gang will meet next on Monday, April 20.

Youth The Youth Group will meet next on Sunday, April 19, for our monthly Board Game Night.

New Members We will offer an information session for New Members next Sunday, April 19, and welcome New Members in worship on Sunday, April 26. Please contact Pastor Katy with any questions.

Church Picnic You are invited to our annual Church Picnic on June 7th at noon.

Circle of Healing Circle of Healing for Body, Mind and Spirit will be offering individual sessions in the complementary healing arts on Saturday, April 25th from 2-4pm.

Health Screenings Parish Nurse Lisa von Stamwitz will offer health screenings on Sunday, April 26, between services.

Camp MoVal Registrations for Camp MoVal are available in the Narthex and may be submitted to the EUCC office or to Sue Schindel.

Shannondale Camping You and your family are invited to our camping trip June 14-15.

Peace Trail (VCS) A-ugust 3---Join us for a week of intergenerational learning and play each weekday morning from 9am to noon.

Volunteer Ministries Next Sunday Ushers (Teri Hillen, Sarah Webster, Linda Kolley, Jan Ittner, Steve Bardelmeier, Joe Ulrich); Crib Room (Cindy Bruns, Sandy Bowe); Monday Counters (Bob and Gigi Hill)

Spectrum Music Series You are invited to Spectrum's final concert of the season next Sunday, April 19th, at 2pm, here at EUCC featuring Charles Metz, harpsichord.

Remember those not often able to be with us in worship...

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# It's Our Time...

EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



*As our capital campaign is unfolding, connections with and stories of Evangelical United Church of Christ are being remembered and shared. Holding one another in prayer while considering our commitment, invites the Spirit into our individual process in the midst of the connections and stories. Weekly lists of persons to hold in prayer will be offered beginning next Sunday. These lists are inclusive of local members and friends of Evangelical United Church of Christ.*

*Prayer Team... Esther Kaufman, Ray Mulligan, Marty Holland, Laura Bardelmeier, Nancy Mack, Susan Ulmer*

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