



Welcome!

Because we believe that the risen Christ is in our midst, we also believe that we should never place a period where God has placed a comma.

Order of Worship

April 28, 2024 | 10:30 am

5th Sunday of Easter

We Gather

Welcome

Prelude

Take Time to Be Holy

Stebbins/arr. Larson

*Call to Worship

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Come, and praise God! In the company of the God's people, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Great are the works of God, full of glory and majesty.

Our God is gracious and compassionate;

our God is merciful and forgiving

our God is faithful and trustworthy,

our God is just and good.

So come, let's worship God together.

May God's praise always be found on our lips! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Alleluia, Amen!

*Hymn #52 (NCH)

There is a Name I Love to Hear

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you created the world and all that is in it; the whole universe speaks of Your glory! Even so, we confess that we live distracted lives, unaware of Your presence and goodness,

You are invited to use the time before service to prepare your heart and mind for worship through prayer and reflection. We kindly ask that all cell phones and media devices be silenced.

Worship Liturgy

Throughout the worship liturgy, you are invited to respond with all of the words in bold.

*Asterisk indicates please rise in body or spirit

Hymns

are chosen from the "black" *New Century Hymnal* or "blue" *Chalice Hymnal* located in the back of your pew.

Gospel:

John 17:20-23

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***Gospel Response:**

***Thine is the Glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the Victory thou o'er death hast won.***

Sermon

They Need You

We Respond

***Hymn #495 (NCH)**

Called as Partners In Christ's Service

***The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

***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**

Loving God, you are never far from us all, as close as our own breathing. We recognize you as the one who heals the wounded spirit and gives new life to the broken hearted. We offer these gifts understanding that you call all of us to care for all your children. Take us and use us and all that we have, so that the Kingdom of Heaven will be realized on earth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday Mornings

9:15 am - Adult Sunday School

9:15 am - Children's Sunday School

10:30am - Hybrid In-Person and Online Worship

Church Staff

Sam Chamelin, *Pastor*

Mary Ann Driscoll, *Organist*

Jane Sharpe, *Choir Director*

Sabrina Hodge, *Financial Secretary*

Lisa Brown, *Treasurer*

Sabrina Hodge, *Administrative Associate*

Ashley Barber, *Youth Program Leader*

Are you interested in joining St. Mary's U.C.C.?

Please contact the church office.

Pastoral Emergencies

Please call the church office or call/text Pastor Sam at 717-309-7680.

Prayer Chain

Contacts:

Belinda Finn or the Church Office

Church Office Hours

Mondays 9 - 1

Wednesdays 9 - 1

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***Hymn #525 (NCH)**

This Little Light of Mine

We Are Sent

***Benediction**

***Three-fold Amen**

***Postlude**

Recessional. Allegro Maestoso

Handel/arr. Schrader