

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nourished at this table, O God,
may we know Christ's redemptive love
and live a new life in him.
Give us who are fed at his hand
grace to share our bread with the hungry
and our lives with the hungry of heart.
Keep us faithful in your service
until the day when we shall feast with all your saints
in the joy of your Kingdom.
Through Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

Lift High the Cross

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Refrain: *Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

1. *Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]*
2. *All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. [Refrain]*
3. *Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
of him who saves our souls from death and hell. [Refrain]*
4. *So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]*

*BENEDICTION

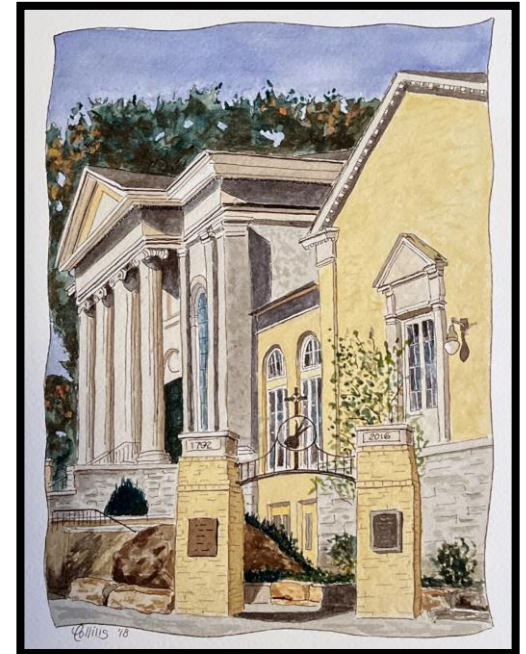
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Awake, O harp and lyre!
I will awake the dawn.

**I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
I will sing praises to you among the nations.**

For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;
your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let your glory be over all the earth.**

*EASTER PRAYER OF PRAISE

Glory to you, O God:

**on this day you won victory over death,
raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.**

Glory to you, O Christ:

**for us and for our salvation you overcame death
and opened the gate to everlasting life.**

Glory to you, O Holy Spirit:

you lead us into the truth.

Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity,

now and forever. Alleluia. Amen.

HYMNJesus Christ Is Risen Today*

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1. *Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*
2. *Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*
3. *But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!*
4. *Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 27:62-28:10

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³ and said, "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' ⁶⁴ Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first." ⁶⁵ Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." ⁶⁶ So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone. ¹ After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead

men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

SERMON This is My Message for You Rev. Mark R. Curtis**ANTHEM** *Christ Arose* Robert Lowery**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING****SHARING THE EASTER PEACE**

(Christ's Easter greeting, "Peace be with you" and the response "And also with you.")

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Breaking and Sharing of the Bread

Pouring and Sharing of the Cup

Communion of the People

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Because He Lives* Gaither/Schrader
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