



Christ is Risen!

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

First Presbyterian Church of Dryden

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call: Christ is risen!

Response: *Christ is risen, indeed!*

Choral Introit

Gathering Prayer

✠ Call to Worship

Call: This is the Day!

Response: **Glorious day! Resurrection day!**

Call: Empty tombs and renewed lives.

Response: **This is God's doing.**

Call: So, rejoice--

Response: **Alleluia!**

Call: And sing--

Response: **Alleluia!**

Call: Be glad--

Response: **Alleluia!**

Call: For Christ is risen from the dead.

Response: **Christ is risen as he said.**

Call: Alleluia!

Response: **Alleluia and amen!**

✠ Hymn of Praise "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

#217

Affirmation of Faith from "The Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve...

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe in the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal...

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Welcome Friends at Home

Children's Message "What's in Your Basket?"
Hymn of Celebration "Christ Arose" #216

Children (PreK-5th grade) are invited to Kids' Club.

Prayers of the People

Choral Anthem

Scripture Reading Luke 23:50-24:12 NT p. 89-90

Message "Finding an Easter Faith in a Good Friday World"

Prayer of Response in Unison

Holy God, let us be faithful witnesses to the power of your love. Let our lives mirror hope in the midst of despair. Let our deeds be filled with compassion in a world of bruising indifference. Let our words be truthful when misinformation holds center stage. Let our forgiveness build new bridges of reconciliation. Let Easter joy linger in our hearts and fill us with courage and hope. Amen.

Giving our Gifts

✠ Doxology "Old Hundredth" # 625

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving & *The Lord's Prayer*

✠ Closing Hymn "Alleluia! Alleluia!" #215

✠ Blessing

✠ Choral Benediction

✠ Postlude

✠ All are invited to stand as they are able.

Welcome to our Church!

Thank you for worshipping with us.

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate.

Let us know if we can assist you.

Sunday Servants

<u>Ushering:</u>	The Macomers	<u>AV System:</u>	Tim & Dave Parsons
<u>Music Director:</u>	Scott Miller	<u>Flowers:</u>	Easter Lillies
<u>Organist:</u>	Michael Singbusch	<u>Kids Club:</u>	

All for the glory of God.

*We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,
feed the hungry, welcome the stranger,
and love our neighbors as ourselves.*

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Credits: From *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*, A1: Gathering Prayer & C1: Prayer for Illumination and Prayer of Thanksgiving. From Homiletics Online: Prayers of the People, Prayer of Response, and Message Title (adapted from Kathy Manis Findley). All other liturgy by Nancy L. Didway.

Lily Memorial List

From	In Memory Of
The Nemecek-Macombers	Family Members
Nancy Didway and Hellon Jones	Jesse and Kim, married 3/9/24
The Carpenter Family	Parents and Elma Canfield
Joyce Day	Ken and Martha Cutter
Rich Couch	Grandmothers Eva Cole and Dorothy Couch In honor of Mother – Nancy Couch
Bob and Dottie Slocum	Parents and Brother
Jack and Jeanine Scott	Beloved Parents
Dave and Peggy Parsons	Robert and Shirley Mace, Ernest and Marjorie Parsons, Cecil and Louise Davison, Ralph and Beverly Gardner, Joel Olson
Fran Sincerbeaux	Family
Connie and Ernie Walker	Our Parents and Connie's Sister Jody
Mahlon and Danielle Perkins	Paul and Joyce Perkins, Ronald and Marie Bishop
MJ and Chuck Uttech	Louise Uttech Baumgarten
Kathleen and Dave Gross	Family Members
Barb Davidson	Albina and Bill, Jo and Russ, Helen and Arthur Amily
Doug Barton	Family members
Gretchen Young	Family members

Prayer and Praise

Pastor Nancy's father, **Gail Didway**, is in the hospital with a severe gastrointestinal infection.

Kim Zimmer, co-worker of Dave Parsons is a mother of young children, and a breast cancer survivor now battling secondary cancer.

As we continue to pray for peace in war-torn nations, we remember **Aleeza Bravershteyn**, still in Jerusalem.

Cindy Price, Jessica's Aunt Kim. and **Rhonda Haftman** are all dealing with breast cancer. Last we heard from her brother, Larry King, Rhonda was waiting for surgery.

Please remember **Dave Gross** in your prayers as he continues to battle long term health issues.

Barb Davidson asks for continued prayer for her son, Tom.

Two praises from **Sue (Barry): Niece Sarah** is completely done with surgeries and chemo, recovering nicely, and at last check there was no evidence of cancer. Also, **Sue's** most recent scan shows her still in remission! Tears of joy!

If you would like to list a prayer request, please contact the church office at

607-844-8321 or drydenpresoffice@gmail.com



Deacons' Prayer Ministry

Please also consider sharing your prayer request with the Deacons via Chuck and MJ Uttech or Dottie Slocum.

Deacons will have a special time of prayer during each monthly Deacons' meeting.

Bulletin
This week's happenings

Sun. Mar. 31 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at Uttechs'
 9:15 a.m. Choir rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. Worship/Easter Sunday
 11:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal

Pastor Nancy on Vacation April 1-7

Mon. Apr. 1 11:00 a.m. Kitchen Cupboard

Wed. April 3 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Blood Drive
 5:00 p.m. Kitchen Cupboard

Thu. April 4 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls

Fri. April 5 11:00 a.m. Kitchen Cupboard

Sun. Apr. 7 9:15 a.m. Choir
 10:30 a.m. Worship/Guest Preacher Matthew Gibbons
 11:30 a.m. Choir

Ministry Committee Meeting

Immediate need for help with the Clothes Shed



Please contact Pastor Nancy for information

607-844-8321/607-351-6966

On-going need for ushers, liturgists & Kids Club Volunteers

Check your heart, and if you feel drawn to any of these opportunities, check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall and add your name!

All are great ways to contribute to the mission of the church.

Thank you! The Worship Committee



Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Verse 1:

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Verse 2:

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Verse 3:

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!

Verse 4:

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley

Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

Christ Arose

Verse 1:

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior!
Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain”

Up from the grave He arose, (He arose,
With a mighty triumph o’er His foes; (He arose!)
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign,
He arose! (He Arose!) He arose! (He arose!)
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Verse 2:

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior!
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain

Verse 3:

Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus my Savior!
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain

Text and Music: *Christ Arose*, Robert Lowry

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken

Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 1:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross as Savior
For the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

Verse 2:

Now the iron bars are broken,
Christ from death to life is born,
Glorious life, and life immortal,
On this resurrection morn;
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer
By His mighty enterprise,
We with Him to life eternal
By His resurrection rise.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, altered

Music: *Hymn to Joy*, Ludwig van Beethoven; adapted by Edward Hodges