

☞ ORDER OF WORSHIP ☜

April 24, 2022 • 10:30 a.m.

*"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds,
and the pessimist fears this is true."*

-- James Cabell

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG "I Danced in the Morning" (Lord of the Dance)
Sydney Bertram Carter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus said, "Ask and it will be given to you.

People: "Seek and you will find;

Leader: "For everyone who asks, receives; and those
who seek, find;

People: "And to each who knocks, it will be opened."

Leader: Let us worship God.

PRAISE SONG No. 42 "Seek Ye First"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord our God, You know the ways in which our
lives have not represented honesty and truth.
You know the times when we have struggled to
be kind and caring and the times when we did
not choose goodness. Forgive us, Lord, for
those many occasions when our lives did not
reflect Your love. Give us Your help and healing
so that we may be better Christians and more
faithful in our witness to Your name. Amen.**
(moment for silent prayer).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Leader: Hear the words of Christ: "My grace is
sufficient for you, for My power is made
perfect in weakness."

**People: Let us go forth in the power of the Lord,
who forgives and loves us. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI Hymn No. 622

CHILDREN'S TIME/and to the young at heart Steve Kotula

ANTHEM "For the Beauty of the Earth" John Rutter

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:13-21a; 28-35

SERMON "The End of Your Nose"

*HYMN OF MEDITATION No. 213 "Because He Lives"

OFFERING "Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks; for Your
name declares Your wonderful works!"
Let us present our morning offering to Almighty
God.

*DOXOLOGY Hymn No. 625

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

*HYMN No. 363 "More Love To Thee"

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Christ Be With Me" Traditional Irish

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

Welcome to our church today!

If you are a visitor, thank you for coming to worship with us. We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the hymnal book holder in the pew. You may then put the card in the offering plate that will be passed to you during the offering. Please join us in friendship and a chance to say hello after the service. Let us know how we can assist you.

Coffee Hour

On the second Sunday of every month the Church Life Committee will be offering Coffee Hours once again to those who choose to share conversations following the Sunday service. Thank you for remaining masked until participating in the dessert-and-beverage time.

Covid Policy

We are updating our Covid restrictions to conform with state and county regulations. The use of a mask for services is a personal choice. Adjustments will be made as conditions demand.

WEB (Weekend Back Pack)

The WEB program delivers approximately 50 bags of food to students in the Dryden School District who are food insufficient. Please donate canned chicken (5 oz.) for the month of April. There is a basket in the administrative wing that is labeled WEB for your donations.

For Prayer

Dave Gross, Bob Sincerbeaux,
Milo Jones, Christi LaPlant, William Merrill,
Jackie Ryan's son, Christopher DuPree.

Church Clean-Up Day

Please mark your calendar for Spring Clean-up Day on Saturday, May 7, 2022. Rain date is Saturday, May 14th. We will start around 9:00 am and should finish before noon. Please bring rakes, tarps, cleaning tools, etc. If you can't make it on the May 7th, please sign up on a list of to-do's which is available in the fellowship hall.

April 24

Ushering: Chuck and MJ Uttech
Flowers: Flower Committee

Office Hours

The office hours of Pastor Jim Hicks, temporary pastor, are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon.
Pastor Jim Hicks – 607-898-5201- hicksjam@verizon.net

Worship for Next Sunday

May 1, 2022
The Third Sunday of Easter
Scripture: John 21:15-17
Sermon: "Love's Staying Power"

I Danced in the Morning (Lord of the Dance)

Verse 1:

I danced in the morning when the world was begun
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had My birth.

Refrain:

“Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance,” said He.
“And I’ll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I’ll lead you all in the Dance,” said He.

Verse 2:

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn’t follow Me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came with Me and the dance went on.

Refrain

Verse 3:

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung Me on high;
And they left Me there on a Cross to die.

Refrain

Verse 4:

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It’s hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried My body and they thought I’d gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

Verse 5:

They cut Me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that’ll never, never die;
I’ll live in you if you’ll live in Me;
I am the Lord of the Dance,” said He.

Refrain

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Seek Ye First

Verse 1:

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you –
Allelu, Alleluia!

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse 2:

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you –
Allelu, Alleluia!

Refrain

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Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen, Amen.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2nd century
Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke

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

Because He Lives

Verse 1:

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Refrain:

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.

Verse 2:

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride, and joy he gives;
But greater still the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

Refrain

Verse 3:

And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

Refrain

Text: Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither
Music: *Resurrection*, William J. Gaither
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More Love to Thee

Verse 1:

More love to Thee, O Christ,
More Love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea:
More love, O Christ to Thee
More Love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Verse 2:

Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek,
Give what is best;
This all my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee
More Love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Verse 3:

Then shall my latest breath
Whisper Thy praise;
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
This still my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee
More Love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Text: Elizabeth P. Prentiss

Music: *More Love to Thee*, William H. Doane