

**April 4, 2021**

**Easter Sunday**

**10:00 am**

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope.  
Christ is risen.

**People: Christ is risen, indeed.**

Leader: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves.  
And it is true. Christ is risen.

**People: Christ is risen, indeed.**

Leader: We hear a voice call our name,  
and we know our risen Lord  
is with us now and always.

**People: Christ is risen, indeed.**

**All: Christ is risen.  
Christ is risen, indeed.  
Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn of Praise *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* Celebration Hymnal No. 367

\*Prayer of Invocation

Father, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ, who defeated death on the cross and proved it with an empty tomb. Today, we celebrate the hope and promise of Easter by renewing our lives by your grace and serving and living for You. This we pray in the name of the Risen one, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Scripture

Luke 24:13-35

\*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.*

Sermon

*The Journey of a Lifetime*

Brian Sampson

Special Music

*I Can See*

Maddie Kaplan

Communion Hymn

Celebration Hymnal No. 635

*I Come to the Garden Alone*

Service of Communion

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.*

\*Hymn of Going Forth

*Because He Lives*

Celebration Hymnal No. 358

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

*Make Us One*  
Make us one Lord, make us one  
Holy Spirit, make us one  
Let our love flow, so the world will know  
We are one in you; we are one in you.

Postlude

\*We invite you to stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

**13** Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem.  
**14** And they talked together of all these things which had happened.  
**15** So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them.  
**16** But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him.  
**17** And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?"  
**18** Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?"  
**19** And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,  
**20** and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him.  
**21** But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened.  
**22** Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us.  
**23** When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive.  
**24** And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see."

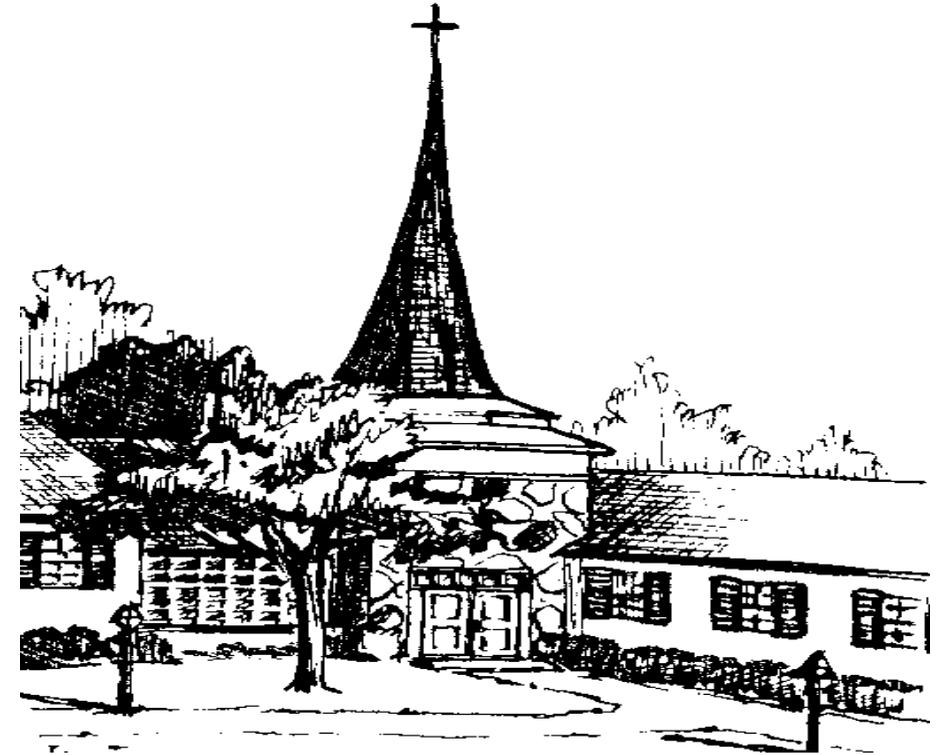
**25** Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!  
**26** Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?"  
**27** And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.  
**28** Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther.  
**29** But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them.  
**30** Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.  
**31** Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight.  
**32** And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?"  
**33** So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together,  
**34** saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!"  
**35** And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

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The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

# ***WELCOME!***



## **Church Covenant**

**We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God's creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God's spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.**

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