

Central United Church

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Sunday, April 12th 2020
Easter Sunday

We gather....

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship: Christ is Risen!
He is Risen Indeed

Prayer of Approach

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

* Passing of the Peace:

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you

Response: And also with you

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say,

'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.
This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer of Confession:

O God, we confess our participation in the darkness, the things we try to hide from you, the things we try to hide from others, the things we try to hide from ourselves. We have turned away from you in what we have thought and said, in have mercy and forgive us.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We hear....

Scripture Lesson (pg 129 NT):

Acts 10:34-43

Epistle Lesson (pg 201 NT)

Colossians 3:1-4

* Gospel Lesson – (pg 114 NT):

John 20:1-18

Message: **"I have seen the Lord"**

We respond.....

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 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.**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

* Benediction and Blessing (*"Hallelujah Chorus"*)

Next Week's Bible Readings

We invite you to read the scriptures in preparation
for next Second of Easter:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Take Note

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