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## **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**May 5, 2019**

**10:00 a.m.**

\*Please rise in body or in spirit

### **PRELUDE**

Alex Sandor

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

### **\*INTROIT**      *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

**Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!**  
**Now is the triumph of our King!**  
**To all the world glad news we bring:**  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,**  
**And sing today with one accord**  
**The life laid down, the life restored:**  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**      (#239, stanzas 1 and 4)

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Christ is risen!  
**All: Christ is risen, indeed!**  
One: Alleluia!  
**All: Alleluia!**

### **\*HYMN**      *Because You Live, O Christ*

#249

## **A CONTEMPORARY PSALM OF PRAISE**

adapted from e. e. cummings

One: I thank you God, for this most amazing day.

**Many: For the leaping, greenly spirits of trees**

One: For a blue true dream of sky,

**Many: For everything which is natural.**

One: For everything that is infinite.

**Many: For everything which is yes.**

One: The one who died is alive again today.

**Many: This is the birthday of life and love.**

One: Even I, who died, am alive again.

**Many: How should any mere human doubt  
unimaginable You?**

One: Now the ears of my ears awake.

**Many: Now the eyes of my eyes are opened.**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Let us pray.

**All: O gracious God, so often we look for you in the extraordinary. Forgive us for failing to look for you in the ordinary. Forgive us for failing to see you in the routines of our lives. You promise to always be with us. Open our eyes that we may see you. Open our ears that we may hear you. Open our hearts so that we may be ready to receive you. Amen.**

One: God forgives us all our sin and cleanses us from every unrighteousness. When we cannot see, God opens our eyes. When we do not hear, God speaks gently to us. When we think we have been left alone, God comes to us and gives us hope. Let us thank God for such goodness.

**All: Alleluia! Amen.**

## **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*You are invited to bless those around you with the words,*  
**"The peace of Christ be with you."**

**\*RESPONSE**

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**

**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**

**Halle, halle, hallelujah!**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

(#591, refrain only)

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

Christy Willmore

*Prayer cards may be given to the children  
or an usher to be brought forward.*

**READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Joan Johnson

*Luke 24:13-35*

**ANTHEM**

*This is My Story*

Chancel Choir

Fanny Crosby/ Arr, John Wilson

Jane Wester, Director

**SERMON**

Rev. Charlotte Frantz

**\*HYMN**

*Come to the Table of Grace*

#507

*The choir will stand and sing stanza 1; the congregation is  
invited to stand and sing Stanzas 2-5 with them.*

**OFFERING**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: Gracious God, you open our eyes to your presence  
and give us hope. Let our gifts be used that others**

**might share in that hope. We yearn for a world in  
which companionship is offered to all and  
hospitality is extended in your name. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to God.**

One: Let us give thanks to God most High.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

One: Gracious God, our hearts rejoice in your  
presence . . . .

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: 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. 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 glory and the power,  
forever. Amen.**

**WORDS OF CONSECRATION**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

*You are invited to participate in this sacrament  
regardless of age or church affiliation. We use  
gluten free bread and non-alcoholic juice. Please  
come forward down the center aisle. Eat and drink  
as you are served. Return by a side aisle. If you  
prefer not to come forward, a server will be happy to  
bring the elements to you.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us give thanks.

**All:** With this bread of life and cup of salvation, you have united us with Christ and bound us to each other. Now send us out, empowered by your Holy Spirit, that we may be your light and love in the world. *Amen.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER

**\*CLOSING HYMN**      *That Easter Day with Joy was Bright*  
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**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** Alex Sandor

**READING FROM THE GOSPELS** *Luke 24:13-35*

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?'

He asked them, ‘What things?’ They replied, ‘The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.’

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him. 'Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY 5/5

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m. Sunday School                      Happy Birthday-Dave L

10:00 a.m. Worship

6:00 p.m. UPC Volleyball

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### MONDAY 5/6

5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

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### TUESDAY 5/7

**2:30 a.m. Worship Committee Meeting**

Softball Practice                      Happy Birthday-Cathy H

Secretary out of office.                      Stormy W

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### WEDNESDAY 5/8

**9:00 a.m. Bible Study**

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### THURSDAY 5/9

**10:30 a.m. Quilting Group**

CSA Flower Pick-up

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### FRIDAY 5/10

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### SATURDAY 5/11

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETING THIS WEEK

**Worship Committee Mtg**    Tuesday, May 7 at 2:30 a.m.

**Adult Bible Study**                      Wednesday, May 8 at 9:00 a.m.

**Quilting Group**                      Thursday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m.

### COMMUNION

It is the practice of this congregation to have an open table. All who wish to more closely follow Jesus are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

### NEXT SUNDAY


Be sure to join us next Sunday Worship as we celebrate, **Mother's Day, Woman of the Year** and **Graduate Sunday**.

### COMFORT MINISTRY

Susanne Hanson will be joining us here at UPC on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. to speak about her Quilting Comfort Ministry. All are welcome to come and learn about this comfort ministry.

*Children are welcome to use the nursery or the area in back of the sanctuary during worship. Your assistance in cleaning up and putting away toys and activities is greatly appreciated.*

## WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- ✦ Join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship.
- ✦ Pick up a copy of ***The UPBeat***, our monthly newsletter, from the table in the narthex.
- ✦ Call the church office at 715-392-4751.
- ✦  Follow us on Facebook.

## HELPFUL TO KNOW

- ✦ We have large print bulletins.
- ✦ We have hearing assistance devices.
- ✦ There are children's activity sheets available in the narthex.

## PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. Prayer Request cards are located in the pew slots in each row and on the table by the main entrance. Cards will be collected during worship service or may be placed in the offering plate.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling  
Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072  
or  
Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

PASTOR

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Reverend Charlotte Frantz

Susan Litehiser and

Mike Gronquist