



Welcome to worship at United Church of Christ Norwell. Whether you are a member of our church, a frequent attendee, or a first-time visitor, know you are welcomed here. We hope you will find your time among us inspiring and leave feeling strengthened and transformed by the love of God in Christ.

**Listening devices for the hearing impaired and large print bulletins are available. Note:** if you remove both hearing aids to use a listening device, please store them apart from each other to avoid sound system feedback.

**Activity bags are also available for children** to use (a Deacon or usher can assist you). Audio of the worship service can also be heard in the library. Please note that a parent must remain with their child(ren) in the library to supervise them.

This morning service is being live streamed and available for viewing on our Vimeo channel and Facebook page.

**United Church of Christ Norwell**

*We are a Christ-centered inclusive community called to ministry.*

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# United Church of Christ Norwell

*An Open and Affirming Church*

April 16, 2023

10:00 a.m.

*We Gather in God's Name*

Call of the Bell

Welcome

Rev. Leanne Walt

Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn #222

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

*W ZLOBIE LEZY*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Kyle Bray

**Living Lord,**

**You meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. Yet, we often miss the miracle of your presence in our daily lives. Forgive us for when we wish away time, anxious to hurry on to the next phase or stage of life. Forgive us when we rush through ordinary days, not slowing down to have the conversation or to take in the beauty of your creation. We confess that we often fail to recognize Your risenness in the face of a stranger or those we love. Help us to live as though we are made alive in Christ. Awake. Aware. Alert to the holy.**

Let us bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace

Christ is risen!

Our guilt and sin are left behind in the tomb.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## *Sacrament of Baptism*

Amaya, Devan and Anamika Parmar  
Children of Jennifer Banks and Shailesh Parmar

Invitation and Baptismal Vows

Pledge of Support

Deacon: Do you who witness and celebrate this sacrament promise your love, support, and care to the ones about to be baptized, as they live and grow in Christ?

**People: We promise our love, support, and care to Amaya, Devan and Mika.**

Act of Baptism

\*The Lord's Prayer

\*Passing of the Peace

Song

*Hallelujah!*

Anonymous

During the song children may meet their  
Church School teachers in Fellowship Hall.

## *We Receive God's Word*

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Sermon

*Having Not Seen*

Rev. Leanne Walt

Anthem

*Alleluia! Christ Is Risen*

Gordon Young

## *We Respond to God's Love*

Prayers of the People

Kyle Bray

Call to Offering

*Please sign and pass the Red Book* (in aisle seats) so we may greet each other by name.  
If you are with us for the first time, please add your contact information.

Offertory

*The Day of Resurrection*

Karen Harvey, piano

LANCASHIRE;

Arr. Victor Labenske

\*Doxology

*LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

## *We Depart to Serve*

\*Hymn #224

*Christ Arose*

Robert Lowry

\*Benediction

Rev. Leanne Walt

Postlude

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

Karen Harvey, organ

*GELOBT SEI GOTT;*

Arr. Jane Holstein

\* Please stand, as you are able

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