

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.

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

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This morning's service will be available on our Vimeo channel later today.

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 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell

Prelude

Thine Is the Glory/Rigaudon

G. F. Handel/

Joseph Foley, trumpet Karen Harvey, organ Andre Campra

Welcome Rev. Leanne Walt

Call to Worship

Dawn breaks. Light out of darkness. Life out of death. One:

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! All:

Hope replaces doubt. Faith overcomes fear. Love transforms hate. One:

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! All:

The light shines in the darkness. The darkness has not, and will not, One:

overcome it.

All: Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

God has made this new day. We rejoice and are glad in it. One:

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! All:

*Hymn #216 Christ the Lord, Is Risen Today v. 1, 3, 4

EASTER HYMN

(Choral introduction composed by Douglas Wagner)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Brett Wollam

Resurrected God.

Today we rejoice in the good news, in the stone being rolled away and the tomb emptied out. Forgive us for those days when we live at a distance from resurrection joy, when we get caught up and stuck in the worries of the world. We confess that there are times when our discontentment and grumbling overshadow your good news. We confess that there are times when our fears prevent us from living into our full purpose and potential. We confess that it is sometimes easier to complain about what's wrong with the world than to minister to it in resurrection hope.

In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

Let us now bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace

Christ is risen!

Our guilt swallowed up by the tomb;

our sin rolled away along with the stone.

Alleluia, Amen.

Choral Acclamation

Easter Alleluia

Bob Walters

We Receive God's Word

Scripture 2 Corinthians 5:17, John 20:1-18

Sermon Things Are Becoming New Rev. Leanne Walt

Anthem Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain ST. KEVIN;

Celestial Ringers Arr. Sondra Tucker

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People Brett Wollam

Response Christ, We Do All Adore Thee Theodore Dubois

Call to Offering Rev. Leanne Walt

Offertory Easter Triumph Arr. Mark Hayes

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.

*Doxology (all)

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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!.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Bless this bread, and bless this fruit of the vine. People: Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table that our eyes may

be opened, and that we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst, in each other, and in all for whom Christ died.

Words of Institution
Partaking of the Bread and Cup
(Grape juice, not wine, is served to all. Gluten-free is available.)

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #234 Crown Him with Many Crowns v. 1, 2, 4 DIADEMATA

*Benediction

Postlude (seated) Festive Recessional/Lift High the Cross James Pethel; Joseph Foley, trumpet Karen Harvey, organ Arr. Karen Harvey

* Please stand, as you are able

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^{*}Prayer of Dedication