



Holly Presbyterian Church
Easter Sunday
March 31, 2024



Welcome and Announcements

Pennies from Heaven A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

Prelude

Julia Hull

*Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 66

Shout joyful praises to God, all the earth! Sing about the glory of his name! Tell the world how glorious he is. Say to God: "How awesome are your works!"

Everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises, shouting your name in glorious songs.

Come and see what our God has done, what awesome miracles he does for his people!
Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Opening Hymn #245 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Call to Confession

Based on Jeremiah 29:11-13

Prayer of Confession

Lord, though you had made your plans known to your disciples before your death, they seemed to not expect your resurrection. Is it the same with us? Have you made yourself and your intentions known to us and we have been too stubborn to believe? Have we given ourselves to an intellectual agreement with your word but failed to let it transform our hearts? Lord, if we have done this, please forgive our lack of faith. We turn our hearts over to you and ask that you would transform them in your power. Make us to be a people who expects the empty tomb. Help us to endure whatever we may face with joy as we surrender ourselves to your perfect and good will.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord said through Isaiah, "I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you." Knowing God's goodness in the atonement of Jesus on the cross and victory over death in His resurrection, let us return ourselves to the Lord.

Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

God above all, you see a full picture of time that we do not see. Great are the mysteries of your intention, power, and might. We see but a glimpse and want to see fully. Open our minds and our hearts to your word as we bow down on this sacred ground. Give us holy awe as the light of your truth washes over us and makes us new. Amen.

Scriptures

New Testament Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 51

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "New Beginnings"

Rev. Chris Thomas

***Hymn #667 "When Morning Glids the Skies"**

Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

Let us come and affirm our faith together in saying the Apostle's Creed.

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

***Doxology Hymn #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow"**

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #826 "Lift High the Cross"**

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Julia Hull

Assisting with worship today: Karen Haneline Worship Leader, Vicki Lyles Usher, Gerry Jackson AV Setup, Gordie Bradshaw Sound.

Worship Team:

Volunteers needed! Please look at the volunteer sheets on the table in the narthex, and fill an empty spot (or more) with your name. There are opportunities to help with the worship service, baby pantry, and coffee hour. Can we fill up the month of April and May today? That would make a busy time of year easier on the people responsible for these activities. Thank you!!

Mark your calendar:

Tues Apr 2nd 6:00pm Outreach Team

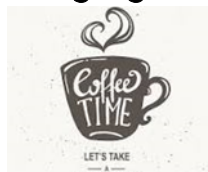
7:00pm IT Team

Fri Apr 5th 10:00am Baby Pantry

Sun Apr 7th 10:30am Coffee

11:15am Worship

Congregational Care Team:



Coffee fellowship is at 10:30am. Come and have a snack, drink, and fellowship.

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - haneline526@gmail.com or 248-894-3489.

Prayer Concerns

For healing: Penny Schettling recovering from pelvis surgery; **Jerry Watkins** (Laura Parker's dad) recovering from broken femur; **Jessica Duis** (Jim & Vicki Lyles niece) complications have arisen regarding her thyroid cancer treatment. **Sierra & Dalton Sink** repairing damage to home from tornado.

Ongoing prayers: Barb Brown, Don Neuville, Mark Bolen, Steve in



FL, and Jim Killewald.

Prayers for those suffering: for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, and/or addiction.

Christian Education: Bible Study will meet again on April 14th from 10:00am-10:45am.

Finance Team:

Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs	Income received
February	\$5,647.25	\$6,053.50

Outreach:

Thank you to all who donated to Traverse Place boys and girls. They really appreciated it.

