

Order of Worship
First Sunday after Easter
April 28, 2019 10:00 am
(Upon entering the Sanctuary, please be seated in silent prayer)
(***)indicates to stand if able)

MORNING MEDITATION

"When we shun the truth, we become vulnerable to a lie."

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Joe DeGrande

*****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: O Brothers and sisters, we are gathered here to proclaim a power beyond ourselves.

People: God is our refuge and our strength, a present help in time of trouble.

Leader: We know that we do not have the ability to save ourselves.

People: We surrender our need for power and control, and look toward the mystery and hope that is the kingdom of God.

Leader: We acknowledge our need for God to work in our lives and transform us.

People: So that we may share God's love and grace.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen

*****OPENING HYMN: "I come to the Garden Alone"**

UMH #314

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INVOCATION

Joe

DeGrande

Leader: Almighty God, we acknowledge our need for you in our lives.

People: May we be open to your presence in this time of worship, in our lives, and in the world.

Leader: Quiet our busy thoughts and distracted attention so that we can be still and know that you are God.

People: Lead us by your Spirit to be disciples of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dot Lambert

Leader: Loving God, you have us your son Jesus to show us unconditional love.

People: We pray, may we be more like Jesus.

Leader: Jesus fed those who were hungry.

People: We pray, may we be more like Jesus

Leader: Jesus brought healing and wholeness to those in need.

People: We pray, may we be more like Jesus.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dot Lambert

Leader: The Spirit of Christ is among this gathering and the nature of Christ is revealed within each of us. We are becoming more like Christ each day. Therefore, let us live joyfully as God's people.

People: Thanks be to God

*****PASSING THE PEACE**

CHILDRENS TIME

PSALTER READING: Psalm 150 (Red Hymnal pg. 862)

Joe DeGrande

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Dot Lambert

Pastoral Prayers

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*****Response: "Glory Be To The Father"**

SCRIPTURE:First Lesson: Matthew: 28:16-20

Joe DeGrande

(Chair Bible: NT pg. 34)

*****HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Holy Spirit, Come Confirm Us" UMH # 331**

SCRIPTURE:Second Lesson: Acts 5:29-39

Dot Lambert

(Chair Bible NT pg. 118)

SERMON: "BREAKING NEWS"

Dot Lambert

MINISTRY OF GIVING

*****Doxology**

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia!

Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts, Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.

Praise the Spirit! Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

*****PARTING HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord"**

UMH # 593

(please be seated after singing of hymn)

BENEDICTION

Leader: If the God who raised Jesus from the dead is for us, who dare be against us?

People: We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.

Thanks Be To God!

POSTLUDE

Attendance for Easter Sunday, April 28, 2019 Adults 48 Children 3

Week of April 28th

Sunday, April 28th - Worship Service 10am

no meetings scheduled

Week of May 5th

Sunday, May 5th - Communion Sunday Service 10am

Wednesday, May 8th - Mutual Ministry Meeting 10am

CEREAL DRIVE - APRIL 28TH THRU MAY 26TH

Now is the time to bring in your cereal box(s) for the Northampton Survival Center. If everyone could at least bring in one box to help support this effort, it will be greatly appreciated.

Please leave your box(s) of cereal in the boxes available in front of the Table of Opportunity.

PRAYER CHAIN - If you haven't already signed up to be on our church telephone prayer chain, please see Nancy Harding and sign up today.

UPPER ROOM BOOKLETS for May and June

Available on the 'Table of Opportunity'

SUNDAY SERVICE FLOWERS

The Flower Chart is pretty empty, if you would like flowers some Sunday, in memory or in honor of a friend or family member, please sign the chart.

As you can see, there is plenty room here on the back of bulletin to put a couple more announcements!

Christ United Methodist Church, 271 Rocky Hill Rd., Northampton, MA.
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Web: currently down being updated / Facebook: Christ Northampton
Rev. David F. Hurst (413) 426-6031/ email: dfhurst@verizon.net
Office hours this week: Wednesday 9am - 1:30pm

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS" OPEN HEARTS"

**Sunday, April 28, 2019
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
Worship Service 10:00am**



Rev. David F. Hurst, Pastor
Music Director, Pam Kukucka

"Our mission is to become disciples of Christ and to fulfill God's will through spiritual growth, education, worship and fellowship. We express our faith through service to others."

We welcome you to join us in this our journey!