

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,

TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA

April 17, 2022 Easter Sunday

Bold italics indicate the work of the people.

**Indicates places to stand if able to.*

The hymnal for today is the Red Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REDRESSING OF THE ALTAR

CANDLE LIGHTING & PROCESSIONAL

CHORAL PRELUDE

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Sing the glad songs of victory;

God is creating a day of newness and joy.

God is our strength and our song;

This is the day of our salvation.

The tomb in our hearts have been opened,

and Christ has been raised from the dead!

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed!

*** INVOCATION**

God of salvation, you have rolled away the stone and the tomb is empty. Nothing can defeat your love for the world. The night is passed and with dawn comes the new creation. Hear our shouts of adoration as we enter the courtyard of your redeeming grace.

Through Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen

***HYMN #182** “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord Jesus, remind us daily of the truth of Your resurrection that we might live in its fullness, and that we might wonder afresh at and experience the amazing truth - Your resurrection power is real and at work every day in the lives of each one of us who has been baptized into Your death and resurrection! Forgive us when we forget this and allow fear or self-centeredness to govern our lives.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

In Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***A Gloria**

From all that dwells below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let the Redeemer's name be sung,

Let God the Spirit loose each tongue!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CHORAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 65:17-25

Epistle

Acts 10:34-43

Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

SERMON

“Frighteningly Alive”

HYMN # 193

“Thine is the Glory”

PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Intercession

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

***DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. (sung to the tune of Old 100th)

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

With gratitude for all that you provide, dear God, and to the service of the world you love so much, we dedicate these gifts and our lives to you, in Jesus name. Amen

EASTER COMMUNION

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***HYMN #192**

“The Day of Resurrection”

***BENEDICTION**

Response (To the tune of Amazing Grace)

“Depart in peace to do God’s will, walk ever in the light. For Christ is with us evermore, to guide us day and night.”

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Deacon for April is Lu Ann Herrick
- Join us for fellowship and refreshments after worship.
- Rev. Koyama’s office hours are Tuesday am. Call ahead 808-282-6711.

PRAYER GARDEN

May you have a Joyous Easter!