

*SONG "Alleluia"

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BENEDICTION

SUNG "Amen"

Postlude

* Please stand if you are able.

Bold- Words in bold are said in unison.

Our worship has ended ~ Let our service begin!

So I Send You: Service Prayers for Easter 2A was written by the Rev. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ.

Booklets will be available TODAY. Our Annual Meeting will be held today after worship, Rev. Megan Stowe will be preaching today and available for our Annual Meeting. Rev. Carol Steinbrecher will be preaching and available on April 19th. We look forward to those dates! April 26th we will celebrate Earth Day Sunday with Paul Dale as our speaker addressing our achieving a Level One Green Church journey.

The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of my Dad, Carl Popp. All my love, your daughter, Gloria.

Warm Birthday wishes go out to:

Phillip Arpano Sr. April 4th

Ella Cummins April 11th

Michelle Garry April 15th

Jeanne Dietel April 29th

April Kristoff April 5th

Erica Hoag April 11th

Bob Lidstone April 15th

Phillip Arpano Jr. April 30th

Happy Anniversary goes out to:

Fred & Teresa Sontag April 9th

Please keep our special members and friends in your prayers: June and Edie K.

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Musician, Kate Lyczkowski

Lay Reader, Paul Cole

Ministers, The People of God

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING *of the BELL/TIME of CENTER*

***CALL to WORSHIP**

One: Let us say to the Holy One: You are our God, we have no good apart from you!

Many: Holy One, you are our God, we have no good apart from you!

One: The Holy One is our chosen portion and our cup; God holds our lot.

Many: Holy One, you are our God, we have no good apart from you!

One: The Holy One provides us protection and refuge, keeps us in pleasant places, and gives a good heritage.

Many: Holy One, you are our God, we have no good apart from you!

***SONG of PRAISE *and* SUPPORTING HUMAN JUSTICE**

“To God Be the Glory”

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PRAYER *of the DAY

Gracious and Eternal God, you are the one who calls us together and the one who sends us out in the world. Remind us, as we gather, how good it is to dwell with you and one another. Stir our hearts to love boldly, freely, and joyfully. Let us praise you with our whole lives and magnify your name by our works. We bless and honor you, O Faithful One, from generation to generation and from community to community. Speak to our spirits and receive our worship. Amen.

***AFFIRMING *and* CONNECTING (Passing of the Peace) We sing: “Peace be with You”.**

*** GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen. *(Be seated)*

Moment for All God’s Children - Scriptural Affirmations/Week 2

Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

***SONG “Love Devine, All Love Excelling”**

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SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 1: 3-9 (Common English Version)

PRAYER *of* TRANSFORMATION *and* NEW LIFE

Gracious and Eternal God, you never abandon us the way that we sometimes abandon you. We doubt your power and your compassion. We call upon your name, but too often without expectation that you will answer. We blame you for the things we have collectively caused or that life demands. Yet, we give ourselves credit for the good that comes our way. We offer empty apology devoid of real repentance. We want to be absolved without engaging in repair. Help us to cherish grace as a gift and mercy as a miracle. Have mercy on us, Holy One. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE

Prayer Concerns and Joys Lifted Up

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Acts 2: 14a, 22-32 (Common English Version)

Meditation - Rev. Megan Stowe, UMC District Superintendent

MUSICAL MEDITATION

INVITATION *to* GENEROSITY

Passing of the Plate

DOXOLOGY (Use whatever words are comfortable for you)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost (Father, Son, and Holy Ghost). Amen

PRAYER *of* DEDICATION *and* THANKSGIVING

Generous One, may these gifts be a blessing to those in need, a source of hope for those in despair, comfort for those who grieve, encouragement for those who doubt, a balm for those in pain. May our generosity reflect our gratitude and our giving be another source of praise. Amen.

