



CHRIST
IS RISEN



WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 17, 2022

PRELUDE

(8:00 AM Only)

“Easter Joy”

arr. Stoddard

PRELUDE

(10:00 AM Only)

“Thine Is the Glory”
“I Know That My Redeemer Liveth”
“Lift High The Cross”

Handel
Handel
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

(10:00 AM only)

“Christ in Risen, Alleluia!”

Jay Althouse

*HYMN No. 302

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Near the Cross

*AN EASTER AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

We believe in an amazing God, who surprises us on Easter morn, who has the last laugh on evil, who never gives up loving and working for good, who weeps at our Good Fridays and transforms our tears into alleluias.

We believe in the risen Christ, not stuck in a tomb of despair, nailed to a dead-end future, or buried in the past, but alive, available and willing to walk with us on the ups and downs, ins and outs of our journey.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the invisible presence, the divine wind of joy, of hope, of possibility. We believe the Spirit creates a community of compassion, welcome and such aliveness that the whole world is tinged with wonder and hope.

We believe we are to live as an Easter people, grinning with hope, contagious with joy and boundless in love.

ANTHEM

(8:00 AM Only)

“Early in the Mornin’ on Easter Day”

L. Lloyd

ANTHEM

(10:00 AM only)

“Risen Indeed”

Allen Pote

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Mary Jo Zubrod

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Pastor: Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

People: **We do.**

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

People: **With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Pastor: Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

People: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness through Jesus Christ.**

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using sins)

*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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power; and the glory, forever.
Amen.*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(10:00 AM only)

*Doxology No. 95

*Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE

"John 20:1-18"

MESSAGE

"Do You See What I See?"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

***HYMN No. 304**

“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

“Hallelujah Chorus”

Handel

Tradition has it that as “The Messiah” was first performed in London in the year 1743, when the chorus came to the phrase “For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth,” King George II and the audience were so moved with reverence that they stood in respect and remained standing until the chorus had ended. As such it has become a tradition in the English speaking world to stand for the singing of the “Hallelujah Chorus.” The appropriate response at the conclusion of this work is reverent silence. We thank you in advance for your understanding and participation of this tradition.

BEARING OF THE LIGHT

(10:00 AM only)

POSTLUDE

“Thine is the Glory”

Handel

(8:00 AM)

POSTLUDE

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

arr. Torrans

(10:00 AM)

MUSIC TODAY at the 8 am service is provided by pianist Michele Sandberg and the Madrigals. Music at the 10 AM service is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, pianist Nettie Swart, the Epworth Bellringers, our Chancel Choir, and timpanist, David Dorn.

ANYONE WHO WOULD like to join the Chancel Choir to sing the “Hallelujah Chorus” is welcome to come to the front of the church during the last hymn. Copies of The Messiah are available at the end of each altar rail.

ACOLYTES today are Grant Newton and Ian Montour.

JOINING OUR CHURCH TODAY

Grace Carr

Jade Chan

Jasmine Chan

Grady Corey

Juddson Demers

Collin Ellis

Anna Mccord

Ian Montour

Gavin Rex

BEING BAPTISED TODAY

Anna McCord

Gavin Rex

THE CRUCIFER today is Lilly Newton.

USHER today are team 1, Ed Rickerson and Bill Hannold

PRAYER CONCERNS can be found in our weekly email Newsletter.

Offering plates **WILL NOT** be passed during worship but instead will be available at the door.

Kids, make sure to check the Memorial Gardens for the surprise from Lenten Fair!

BOOK OF THE BIBLE STUDY ~ You are invited to a study of *Paul's Letter to the Ephesians*, held at **1:00 pm Wednesday afternoons, the first session will be on April 20, 2022.** The group will meet at the home of Mike and Maryann Long, 819 Pleasant Drive, and will be led by Mike Long. We will plan on covering the six chapters in five sessions. Note-taking outlines will be provided to help facilitate discussion. Participants are encouraged to bring their own Bibles. The goals are to explore some of the mysteries associated with this text and to discern principles taught by the apostle for Christian living in church and home. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ~ Applications for the Mary F. & Melvin G. Keller Scholarship through the First United Methodist Higher Education Fund are now available. Applications must be received before April 30, 2022, for the 2022–2023 school year and can be printed off from the church website at www.firstumwarren.com or a link on the weekly newsletter.

HOLY SPIRIT STUDY ~ Every Friday at the Crossing from 1:30 PM—2:30 PM, until May 13, 2022.

CANTATA ~ We welcome you to join us as our choir presents the cantata, “Once Upon a Morning,” on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at our 10:00 AM Worship Service.

SPRING MIX ~ There will be a free concert at the First United Methodist Church, presented by the Silver Winds Flute Choir, on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at 4:00 PM.

RAMP MINISTRY ~ We're going to the ballgame! Ramp ministry has tickets for the May 6, 2022 ERIE SEAWOLVES Ballgame at the Erie UPMC ARENA. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. More information can be found on our website at www.firstumwarren.com, the weekly newsletter, or email Charlie at: director@allgodschildrenministries.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT ~ All women are invited to participate in “It's You and Me God!-Living a life of worship”. We will be challenged to live moment by moment in worship. It will be held on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 7:00-9:00 PM, and Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 9:00 AM- 4:00 PM, at First UMC in Founder's Hall (on the 2nd floor). Lunch will be provided on Saturday. There is no charge. Please contact Rachel Beach at [<rmbeach27@gmail.com>](mailto:rmbeach27@gmail.com) to let us know that you plan to attend so we order enough food! Hope to see all of you there.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF

April 17, 2022 – April 23, 2022

SUNDAY

Easter Sunday

8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Sanctuary

8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room

10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary

Reception of New Members Following Worship

MONDAY

Office Closed

7:00 AM Men's Accountability Group; Covert Room

6:00 PM Youth Incarceration Support Group; Upstairs

6:00 PM Adult Incarceration Support Group; Founder's Hall

6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; Covert Room

6:30 PM Silver Winds Flute Choir; Music Room

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

8:30 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool

12:30 PM Tuesday Study Group; Covert Room

6:30 PM Epworth Handbells; Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

8:30 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool

8:45 AM Covenant Disciple Group

1:00 PM Study Guide; Mike and Maryann Long's House

6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours

8:30 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool

1:00 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room

5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room

6:00 PM Divorce Care; Covert Room

7:00 PM Warren Philharmonic Rehearsal; Founder's Hall

FRIDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours

12:00 PM Senior Lunch; Founder's Hall

Angel Tree / Family Fun Day
Chapman State Park
Saturday, April 30th
11:00AM – 2:00PM

Please join us for a day of fun and fellowship with our Angel Tree families. There will be nature-inspired activities for kids of all ages, hiking, games, and of course, s'mores!

Please sign up across the hall from the church office if you plan on attending (and the number of persons) so we may plan accordingly. All food and beverages will be provided, though you may want to bring a bag chair. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held at the church.

Prayerfully Consider on behalf of the people of Ukraine

Nettie and Jon Swart are collecting items for the group, ERIE FOR UKRAINE, and will be delivering those items to 820 W. 20th St., Erie, PA.

They are collecting: Children's diapers, baby formula, hygiene products, feminine products, first aid kits, washing detergent in powder form, rice, buckwheat, noodles, dry soups, baby clothes, and new unopened medical supplies.

Anyone wishing to make a financial contribution can make out a check to the First Ukrainian Pentecostal Church, and put on the memo line: "Ukraine Donation." (Checks are preferred)

Jon Swart stated, ". . .as this is Holy Week, I can think of no better means of demonstrating our faith in the One who offered help, hope, and compassion to a world in need, than to get involved, even if in some small way, and alleviate the suffering of so many in this humanitarian crisis."



**BIG CUP
CLASSIC**

CORE

**Tournament Benefits CORE -
Mental Health and Suicide
Prevention Education in
Warren County**

**BIG CUP
GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Saturday, May 21

**FLIGHTED
SCORING**

**HOW LOW CAN
YOU GO?**

Saturday May 21
8am check in
9am shotgun start

\$75 non-member
\$55 member
includes green fees, cart,
food and prizes

Sign up today
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