## THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Easter Sunday April 17, 202

Roy St Onge, Music Director – Jim Wert, Pianist – Bill Dawson, Organist ORDER OF

SERVICE-----

ANNOUNCING THE JOY OF EASTER "Trumpet Voluntary" Gary Walter, Trumpet

## Christ Is Risen, Hallelujah!

Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

PRELUDE "Ode To Joy" Reiko Niiya, Violin & Bill Dawson, Piano

(Silence Is A Golden Moment Especially When Hear The Voice Of God Speaking Through Music...Listen!)

THE PROCESSIONAL "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today" No 302

THE WELCOME, GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RESPONSE, PRESENTATION

"Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place. I Can Feel His Mighty Power And His Grace. I Can Hear The Brush Of Angel's Wings. I See Glory On Each Face.

Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place."

A HYMN OF EASTER JOY "The Day of Resurrection" No 303

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Pastor: Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

PEOPLE: IN FACT, CHRIST HAS BEEN RAISED FROM THE DEAD, THE FIRST FRUITS OF THOSE WHO HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP.

Pastor: Let the ruins of Jerusalem break into joyful song, for the LORD has comforted his people. He has redeemed Jerusalem.

EVERYONE: ALMIGHTY GOD, WHO THROUGH YOUR ONLY SON HAS OVERCOME DEATH, AND OPENED UNTO US THE GATE OF EVERLASTING LIFE. WE CELEBRATE OUR LORD'S RESURRECTION AND BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR SPIRIT KEEP US IN YOUR CARE.

THANKS BE TO GOD, WHO GIVES US VICTORY OVER DEATH. HALLELUJAH! HALLELUJAH!

THE HYMN OF PRAISE "He Lives" No 310

THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINFUL ACTIONS (Unison)
ALMIGHTY GOD, THE FATHER OF OUR RISEN LORD JESUS CHRIST,
WHO DOES NOT WANT THE DEATH OF A SINNER, BUT RATHER
THAT WE MAY TURN FROM OUR WICKED WAYS AND LIVE.
PARDON AND ABSOLVE ALL WHO TRULY REPENT AND BELIEVE
IN YOU. HEAR THIS OUR SIMPLE CONFESSION AS WE OFFER IT IN
HUMILITY ON THIS HOLY DAY. BLESS US THROUGH THE LIVING
SPIRIT OF YOUR RISEN SON JESUS CHRIST. AMEN!
THE CHORAL ANTHEM

"Easter Alleluia Medley" Chancel

THE EASTER LITANY OF PRAISE TO GOD (Unison) No 320

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION "Crown Him With Many Crowns" No 327

THE OFFERING, OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY

Choir

PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERINGS IN THE PLATES AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE!

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Him, All Creatures Here Below; Praise Him Above, Ye Heavenly Host Praise Father, Son, And Holy Ghost. Amen"

THE EASTER AFFIRMATION IN SONG "I Asked The Lord" Roy St Onge, Vocal

THE PRAYERS Concerns Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer Response No 471

SPECIAL MUSIC OF EASTER "Spring Song" by Felix Mendelssohn Reiko Niiya, Violin

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE Mark 16:1-19

THE EASTER MESSAGE:

"He's Not There!"

Rev

Ted Althouse

THE HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION "Up From The Grave He Arose" No 322

THE PASTORAL BENEDICTION AND LAITY RESPONSE (Sung in Unison)

> "Bless Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love: The Fellowship Of Kindred Minds, Is Like To That Above."

THE POSTLUDE Dawson, Organ

"Welcome Happy Morning"

Bill



NEXT SUNDAY: April 24, 2022 - First Sunday in Eastertide

SERMON MESSAGE: "The End Begins The New!" **SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Luke 24:18-35** 

One Altar Floral Arrangement Is In Celebration Of Our Risen Lord Jesus Christ.

One Altar Flower Arrangement Is In Memory Of

Our Pastors Wife Ardis And Presented By His Family.



 $\mathbf{Ed}$ Edwin Basler. Baden. Carol Cessna. Claudia Hackler-Compton, Diana Hoatson (sister of Linda Brown), Jim & Pat Daniels, Cal Eells, Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Penny Filiatrault, Cindy Fiska, Lea Garrett, Frank Haskell,

Cyndi Koski, Glenda Lemay, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Margie Mitchell, Kit Olen, Bob Osborne, Larry & Pat Rhoda, Bill Sadd, Roy St Onge, Dot Streck, Richard Striffler, Aline Wolf, Jan Ziegler and all other individuals who need God's healing touch.

Pray For Healing And Compassion For All The People Of Ukraine Who Are Suffering.



WHAT IS EASTER AND WHY CELEBRATE IT?

In the Christian calendar, Easter follows Lent, the period of 40 days (not counting Sundays) before Easter, which traditionally is observed by acts of penance and fasting. Easter is immediately preceded by Holy Week, which includes Maundy Thursday, the commemoration of Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples, Good Friday, the day of his Crucifixion; and Holy Saturday, - Christ's transition between the Crucifixion (death) and Resurrection (life). Easter also known as Resurrection Sunday, is an important principal festival of the Christian church. The earliest recorded observance of an Easter celebration comes from the 2nd century, though the commemoration of Jesus' resurrection may have occurred earlier.

Fixing the date on which the resurrection of Jesus was to be observed and celebrated triggered a major controversy in early Christianity in which an Eastern and a Western position can be distinguished. The dispute, known as the "Paschal Controversies", was not definitively resolved until the 8th century. In the West the Resurrection of Jesus was celebrated on the first day of the week - Sunday, when Jesus had risen from the dead. Consequently, Easter was always celebrated on the first Sunday after the 14th day of the month. The Council of Nicaea in 325 decreed that Easter should be observed on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the spring equinox (March 21). Easter, therefore, can fall on any Sunday between March 22 and April 25.

On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and the victory of life over death. Easter is the highest celebration of Christianity because Christ's own resurrection establishes the belief in life after death. Therefore, Easter is a joyous holiday because it represents the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Old Testament and the revelation of God's salvific (salvation) plan for all of humankind. In commemorating the resurrection of Jesus, Easter also celebrates the defeat of death and the hope of salvation. This is the day every Christian should praise Almighty God for his Son Jesus Christ and say hallelujah Christ has risen from the grave for each of us.

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"HE'S NOT THERE?"

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