

**FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Easter Sunday**

**Sunday, April 9, 2023**

**Sunday School 9:30 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.**

*Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (330) 306-8965*

*Director of Music: Karen Fumerola*

*Organist: Barbara Edwards*

*(\*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)*

**Welcome to our Sunday service. Please use the time during the Prelude to prepare yourself for worship in quiet reflection and prayer and allow others to do the same.**

Prelude "Christ Arose" *Robert Lowry/arr. Babcock/Voss*  
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano)

Greeting

Pastor: "The peace of Christ be with you."

**People: "And also with you."**

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Gerald Gammon

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit #365 "Alleluia! Alleluia!" *Ludwig van Beethoven*

\*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Halleluyah! Halleluyah! The tomb is empty!

**All: We worship the Risen Lord!**

Leader: Jesus, we thank You for Your defeat of death!

**All: We worship the Risen Lord!**

Leader: Resurrected Lord, we trust our eternity to You!

**All: We worship the Risen Lord!**

Leader: Praise and glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

**All: We bless and glorify You, Lord Jesus, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, amen.**

\*Hymn #367 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

\*Unison Invocation:

**All: Let all mankind rejoice in the resurrected, Lord. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as One with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Glory to You, O Lord, and may we find favor in Your sight. Blessed be the resurrected Lord, blessed be those that receive Him, we pray, amen.**

\*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" *Becki Mayo*

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response "Holy, Holy, Holy" *Argentine Melody*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Apostles Creed (May be found in the back cover of the hymnal)

Hymn #361 "Worship Christ, the Risen King (1, 2 & 5)"

Scripture **Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24** (pg. 565-566 O.T.) Sharon Longworth  
**Acts 10:34-43** (pg. 129-130 N.T.)  
"Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Gospel **Matthew 28: 1-10** (pg. 33-34 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

**All: "Thanks be to God."**

Sermon "Move the Rock" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Invitation to Communion/Prayer over the elements

Communion/Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn #368 "He Lives"

\*Benediction

Choral Response #357 "Christ Arose" (refrain)

Postlude "He Lives" *Alfred Ackley*  
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

4/9/2023

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**Thanks to all of those who purchased lilies.. Please remember to take your lily (s) home after the service today.**

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- ◆ Tammy Boyle in memory of Nicole Boyle
- ◆ Sheryl Cozad in memory of Craig
- ◆ Judy Fabian in memory of her father & sister,
- ◆ Junior & Karen Fumerola in memory of our parents, in honor of our children and grandchildren
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