#### **Prayer Concerns**

First Responders

Those affected by gun violence Nancy D. Those suffering from mental Lois D. Illness, addiction & homelessness Anita B. Condolences to the Bridges family on Ray S.

the passing of James' mother, Doris

Bunny, Liz L.'s cousin Curtis, lifted by Reba Y.

Bill & Marilyn R. Tammy M.'s Dad's recovery Vicki and her family, daughter of

Rae and Walt S.

Dan G., lifted by Barb & Ron C. Matt & Debby, lifted by Janis J.

Joan H.

Jeff S., nephew of Jan & Bill C. Cindy, Reba Y.'s sister-in-law

Betty, Paul T.'s aunt Pat, CJ C.'s mother CJ C., lifted by Chris B. Carole B.'s niece's family

Judy, lifted by Brenda F. Marianne, lifted by Janis J.

Jane P. Keith A. Judy L.

Selene, lifted by Carole A.

Barbara B.

David N., JoAnne's husband Joy and Rocky, lifted by Paul &

Claudia T.

Ron W.

Richard P., lifted by Liz L. Jan, community meal guest

Barb L.

Ken & Doris, friends of Sally C. Doug, friend of Joel & Deb C.

### This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

3/31 Dianne Plogger 4/4 Andrew Peralta

4/1 Wendy and Bill Cooper 4/4 Ray and Diane Plogger

4/2 Kara Quan

# **Today's Worship Leaders**

Preacher: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm **Organist: Javier Gonzalez** 

Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez

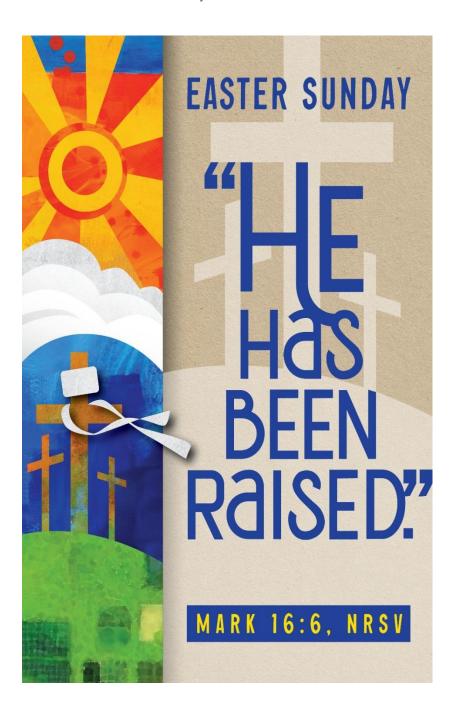
Liturgist: Alice Walsh

Greeters: Jean Scothon, Greg Lavelle Ushers: Judi Wagner, Sydney Scothon

Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter

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# **Easter Sunday**

March 31, 2024 10:30 am

Welcome and Greeting

L: Christ is Risen!

P: Christ is Risen Indeed!

**Celebration of Ministries and Missions** 

**Prelude** Glory Be to Jesus Robert A. Hobby

Introit The Lord Is Risen Hal H. Hopson

\*Call to Worship Alice Walsh

L: The tomb is dark, but empty.

P: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.

L: The stone has been rolled away.

P: The one you are looking for has overcome death.

L: The burial clothes are put aside.

P: The one you are looking for is alive!

L: Christ is Risen!

P: Christ is Risen Indeed! Let us worship our Risen Savior!

### \*Unison Prayer

We repeat our Easter shouts of surprise and joy again and again, for news of your victory over powers of death and evil is news so startling, so amazing, so different from the news that bombards us day by day. Beyond our comprehension, You startle us again and again with resurrection Life, bringing grace and hope and joy. You, in your Risen power, are shaping all our days, and so we praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

\*New Testament Reading Acts 10:34-43

\*Hymn Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (vv 1-4) UMH 302

Prayers of the People Prayer Concerns **Pastoral Prayer** 

\*The Apostles' Creed

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

**Choir Anthem** Joy in the Morning Natalie Sleeth

Prayer for the Offering

**Special Music** Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

arr. Barbara B. Kinyon

**UMH 881** 

**Gospel Reading** Mark 16:1-8

**Hymn** Easter People, Raise Your Voices UMH 304

**Sermon** "Looking for Jesus" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

\*Hymn He Lives UMH 310

\*Responsive Benediction

L: Because the tomb is empty, your life can be full, so go into every place and every day as people brimming with the love of God.

P: Be graceful in spirit, hopeful in word, faithful in deed.

L: Live for the risen Christ as Christ lives in you.

P: Alleluia and Amen!

**Postlude** Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! Mark Hayes arr. Marvin Gaspard

(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude before exiting the Sanctuary.)

\*Please stand if you are able.