

Wycliffe

April 12, 2026- Easter II

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HE IS NOT HERE
HE IS RISEN
AS HE SAID

Preparation for Worship *May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on this road. May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve. May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love. May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.*

Welcome & Announcements **A PRAYER TO BEGIN WORSHIP**

LET US WORSHIP

PSALM 118 *(all read the bold)*

The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

*There are glad songs of victory
for the right hand of the Lord is exalted.*

**I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

*Open the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.*

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

***HYMN 238** **"THINE IS THE GLORY"** *(stand in body or spirit and sing)*

**Share the Peace of Christ with those around you*

Children's Time with the Pastor

Join in this account from the Gospel of John (20:19-31, NIV; read the bold as indicated)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together with the doors locked for fear of the temple leaders, Jesus stood among them and said,

MEN: “Peace be with you!”

And he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. And again, Jesus said,

MEN: “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.”

And with that he breathed on them and said,

MEN: “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not, then they are not forgiven.”

Thomas, one of the Twelve, wasn’t there so the other disciples told him,

WOMEN: “We’ve seen the Lord!”

But Thomas declared that he would need to see the nail marks and put his hand into Jesus’ side before he’d be able to believe. The next week the disciples were there again and Thomas was with them this time. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them, and said ~



MEN: “Peace be with you. Thomas, see my hands? Put your finger here. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Stop doubting and believe!”

WOMEN: “My Lord and my God!”

MEN: “Because you’ve seen me, you believe. Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe!”

Jesus performed many signs in the presence of his disciples which are not recorded. But these have written so you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and by believing, you may have life in his name.

“Sweet Music”

(traditional Spiritual, arr. R. Schulz-Widmar)


Lisa Pesk & Amelia Moore, bells

In this band we have sweet music, Jesus Christ is risen!

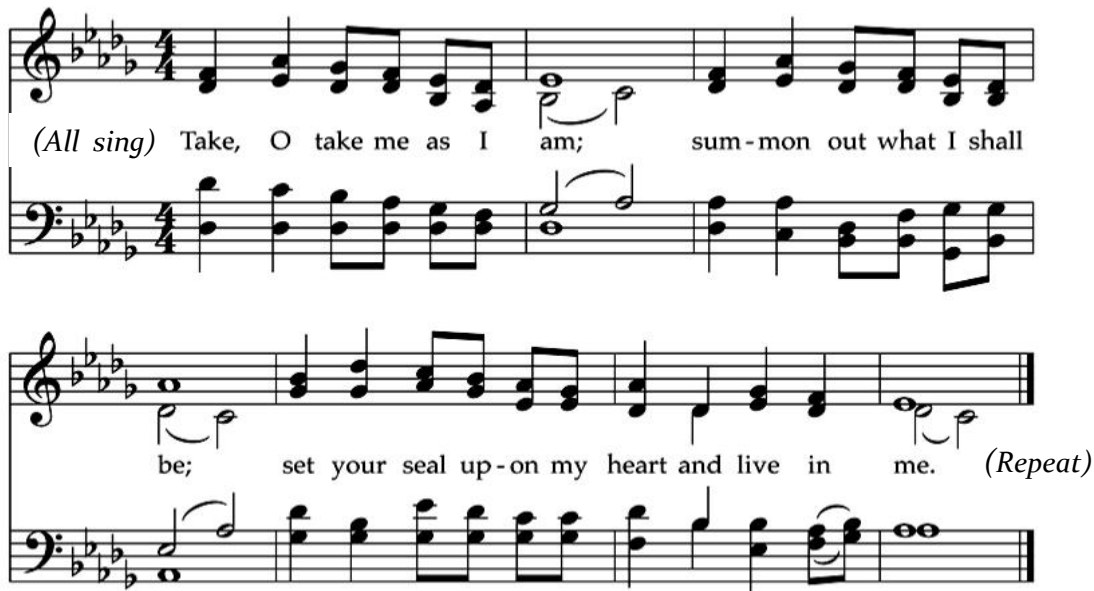
Go and tell Mary & Martha, Jesus Christ is risen!

Go and tell everybody, Jesus Christ is risen!

A TIME OF CONFESSION



*Loving Christ, I reach out. I long to feel your living presence;
to know that the nails I helped pound haven't held you.
Give me the courage to see you in the wounded of this world,
to recognize the wounds I've caused,
the evil I've cooperated with, the ways I've abandoned you.
I see your love; let me know your forgiveness.*



(All sing) Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me. (Repeat)

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE & PARDON . . . and all respond: Thanks be to God!



*Scripture - Acts 2:14a, 22-32
The Word of God is Opened to Us
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HYMN 250 "IN THE BULB THERE IS A FLOWER"
(remain seated & sing)

The Prayers of the People
followed by The Lord's Prayer (on the screen)

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH *(all read the bold)*

People of God, in whom do you believe?

We believe in God who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus: Word made flesh, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We are called to be the Church:

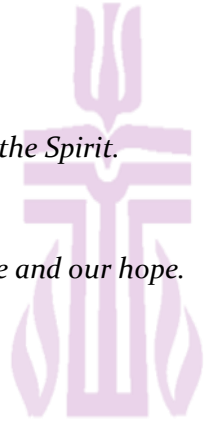
to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,

to seek justice, resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

***HYMN 817 "WE WALK BY FAITH"** *(stand in body or spirit & sing)*

***THE BENEDICTION**



Coming Up ~

Sunday, April 19 *(after worship) ~ Founder's Day Buffet & Church Photo taken*

Tuesday, April 16 (3:30pm) *~ Grief Support Group (room 207)*

Tuesday, April 21 (noon) *~ Ladies Lunch at Jose Tequilas (Shore Drive)*

Sunday, April 26 *(following worship) ~ Wycliffe Talent Show*

Saturday, May 2 (9am-12pm) *~ Clean the Bay Day!*

Saturday, May 9 (6:30-8:30pm) *~ Stacked with Love A Mother's Day Breakfast*



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