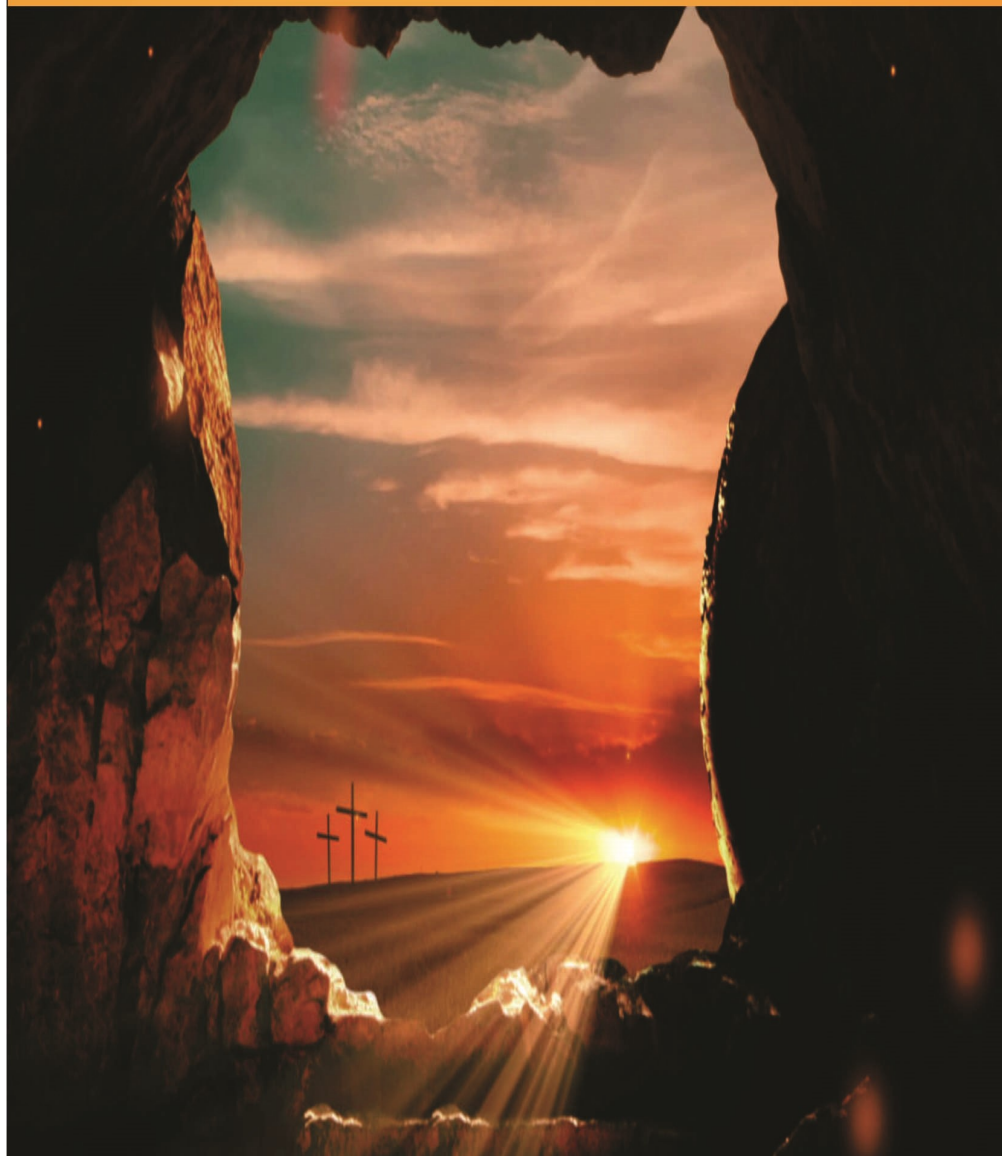


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Columbia United Church Of Christ

March 31, 2024

6:30 a.m. Worship

Happy Easter!

**indicates that all are invited to stand, if comfortably able*

Gathering Music

Casey Wood

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

"Nicodemus, who had first come to Jesus at night, came now in broad daylight carrying a mixture of myrrh and aloes. They took Jesus' body and, following the Jewish burial custom, wrapped it in linen with the spices. There was a garden near the place he was crucified, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been placed. So, because it was Sabbath preparation for the Jews and the tomb was convenient, they placed Jesus in it."

-John 19:39-42 (from "The Message")

*Call to Worship

We gathered in the Sanctuary Friday to witness a terrible sight;
The Savior betrayed, denied, mocked, and crucified.

But this morning, everything is renewed!

Christ is not dead, but alive! Christ has Risen! Alleluia!

Up from the grave, our Savior arose!

Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Christ the Lord is Risen, today! Let all the world rejoice!

Christ the Savior is here to stay! Let us praise Him!

Remembering family and friends no longer with us, we gather
Celebrating that Christ has conquered the grave!

**We remember the promises of New Life already fulfilled
in those who have gone before us!**

We remember the promise that we, too, shall have New Life!

We remember and celebrate the Resurrection that is ours!

Up from the grave He arose! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn "Up From the Grave He Arose!"

(insert)

*Gathering Prayer

**God of Resurrection miracles, we have sat in the morning dew
listening to this sunrise story heard on Easter morning dozens**

of times. Yet today, we hear it as anew. We open our lives to Your promises of New Life and Resurrection, made evident by the empty tomb. Create in us hearts that are receptive to the ways that You are constantly recreating us, that we may be vessels of Your Salvation for the world. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

Children's Time & Flowering the Cross

As you come forward to place your flower in the cross, pause a moment at the foot of the cross to say a silent (or out loud) prayer thanking God for all of the blessings in your life. Families (whatever form the term 'family' means to you) are welcome to approach the cross together and say a communal prayer.

Gospel Reading

John 20:1-10

Llona Weiss

Sermon

"Rolling Stones"

Pastor Rick

Hymn:

"Morning Has Broken"

(insert)

Invitation to Communion

Prayer; Institution; Fraction; Distribution

*EVERYONE is invited to receive communion.
When you come forward, please bring your offering
and drop it in the offering plates.*

Community Prayer and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Parting Hymn

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

(insert)

*Benediction

*Response:

"Let There be Peace on Earth"

Let there be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with me!

Let there be Peace on Earth; the Peace that was meant to be!

With God our Creator, Children all are we!

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony!

Let Peace begin with me; let this be the moment now!

*With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!
Let there be Peace on Earth; and let it begin with me!*

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CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:

Welcoming all God's Children;

Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;

Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;

Building a supportive church family;

*Transforming both the congregation and community
through service and outreach*



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1. Low in the grave he lay, Je-sus my Sav-ior, wait-ing the com-ing day,
 2. Vain-ly they watch his bed, Je-sus my Sav-ior; vain-ly they seal the dead,
 3. Death can-not keep its prey, Je-sus my Sav-ior; he tore the bars a-way,

Refrain
 Je-sus my Lord! Up from the grave he a-rose, (he a-rose) with a

might-y tri-umph o'er his foes; he a-rose a vic-tor from the
 (o'er his foes)

dark do-main, and he lives for-ev-er, with his saints to reign. He a-

rose! He a-rose! Hal-le-lu-jah! Christ a-rose!
 (he a-rose) (he a-rose)

John 20: 1-10

1 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.

2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

3 Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.

4 The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

5 He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.

6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there,

7 and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed;

9 for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

10 Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Morning Has Broken

C Am Dm G Dm G C

1. Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing, black-bird has
 2. Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing born of the

Em Am Em F G C Am F C

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery

Am G C G Am Dm GW C

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Matt. 28:5-8; 1 Cor. 15:20-22; 54-57

Charles Wesley, 1739; alt.



1 Christ the Lord is risen to-day, Al-le-lu-ia!
 2 Let the Vic-tor's peo-ple sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
 3 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al-le-lu-ia!
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al-le-lu-ia!

Mor-tal tongues and an-gels say: Al-le-lu-ia!
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al-le-lu-ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat-tle won, Al-le-lu-ia!
 Fol-lowing our ex-alt-ed Head, Al-le-lu-ia!

Raise your joys and tri-umphs high, Al-le-lu-ia!
 Dy-ing once, Christ lives to save, Al-le-lu-ia!
 Death in vain for-bids Christ rise, Al-le-lu-ia!
 Made like Christ, like Christ we rise, Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing, glad heavens, and earth re-ply: Al-le-lu-ia!
 Where your vic-to-ry, O grave? Al-le-lu-ia!
 God has o-pened par-a-dise, Al-le-lu-ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al-le-lu-ia!

The unknown editor of *Lyra Davidica* wanted music with more movement and spirit than found in the grave, slow-paced psalm tunes, with one note to a syllable. Easter Hymn was among the first of a new popular style.

Tune: EASTER HYMN 7.7.7.7. with alleluias
 Arr. from *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

The Easter Lilies that decorate our Sanctuary this morning have been donated in memory of...

Loved ones

By Helen Schultz

Family & Friends

By Glen & Carol Duermeyer

Jim & Dorothy Schaefer

By Sue Ann Schaefer

Chester & Darlene Paul, parents

By Llona Weiss

Our Grandparents &

Great-Grandparents

By Josh & Lena Muench

Our parents

By Jim & Connie Loveless

Mary Rinne & Larry Noxon

By Donna Marsh

Jerry & Doris Staelens & Bob Bierer

By Tim & Christine Staelens

Arthur & Rowena Solt, Deloris &

Otto Hackman, Steve Lorber

By Tom & Mary Lorber-Solt

Carolyn Schumm

By Dean & Jan Barry

Kellen "Kayt" Kathleen

By Yvonne Piersee

& Dorothy Williams

Linda Ferguson

By Sharon Elliott

Our Parents

By Fred & Carolyn Malicoat

Susanna Manriquez & Jose Chaidez

By Eloy Montenegro

Bob & Claire Jannetti & Ray &

Daphne Yvars

By Steve & Valerie Jannetti

Our children, Wes & Rachel

by Barry & Jolene Kirchhoff

Lester & Melba Mosberger

By the Oberle Family

Richard & Melba Oberle

By the Oberle Family

Christine Marie Oberle

By the Oberle Family

Nick Johnson, our grandson

By Joe & Corinne Remeika

..and in honor of:

Our Children, family and friends

By Doug & Judi Privitt

Our Grandchildren

By Rev. Rick and Kim Oberle

Our Children & Grandchildren

By Fred & Carolyn Malicoat

**RAISING
GOOD
HUMANS**

**Have Kids?
This is for
YOU!**

We've been trying something new and have had a great time! Join us for a casual, light-hearted, judgment-free zone to share and laugh about all things kid-related...or whatever else comes up! Drop your kiddos/youth off at Sunday School and join us!

Sunday, April 14: 9-10 a.m.

Sunday, April 28: 9-10 a.m.

Sunday, May 19: 9-10 a.m.

**Upstairs in the room @ the end of the hall
(we'll have it marked!)**

Nursery care provided for littles ages 2 and under.

**We'll take care of the doughnuts
& coffee for the grownups.**



Bring a Friend Sunday!

Taco Bar- April 21

Everyone at CUCC is invited to Bring a Friend to church on Sunday, April 21! This is a special opportunity to share God's love as exemplified in the ministries of this church. There will be special gift bags given to all guests on that Sunday, as we worship and celebrate fellowship together. Do you know of people in your circle of friends are looking for a faith community?

Don't miss this chance to tell them about CUCC!

Plus- a Taco Bar after worship! The Membership & Care Ministry Team will be supplying all the fixings; you just need to show up *(and bring a friend)*!

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." -Matthew 28:19

There are many instances where Jesus calls us to share the Good News of his ministry with everyone; yet often our faith is our best kept secret! "Bring a Friend Sunday" gives us the chance to follow Jesus' Great Commission to share the Inclusive Love of Jesus with everyone!

All dressed up and
no place to grow?

Come to worship on April 21!

*Statistically, 80% of people who
visit a church come because
someone invites them. Don't
underestimate the power of a
personal invitation!*

*Think outside the box- invite a
friend to church on April 21!*

On Sunday, April 21, your friends will have a chance to experience:

- Sunday School for all ages, from 9:00-10:00 a.m. (including Adult Class)
- Worship in an inclusive community with everyone welcome and included
- Childcare available in the nursery during worship (Kindergarten age and under)
- Special gift for the kids at Children's time
- Special gift for all guests in worship
- Taco Bar following worship
- The loving, inclusive, and affirming identity of the CUCC Congregation

