# **Neighbors in Christ Parish United Methodist Churches**

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. March 31, 2024, Easter Sunday Service

**PRELUDE** 

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING PRAYER** 

Liturgist

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** (GF UMC only - please stand in place and wave to your neighbors)

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

P: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

L: Darkness has been vanquished!

P: THE BRILLIANT LIGHT OF HOPE HAS COME!

L: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

P: ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! AMEN!!

**\*HYMN** Christ the Lord is Risen Today Pg. 302

# **INVOCATION:**

Loving, Powerful God, joy floods over our souls on this day! Christ is risen! Fear is vanquished! Open our hearts and our spirits to receive fully the joy which has been given for us! Let us celebrate the victory of Christ and the hope for the future! Amen

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Pg. 565

**CHILDREN'S TIME** 

**NEW TESTAMENT:** 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 Pg. 176

**\*HYMN** To God Be the Glory Pg. 98

**GOSPEL:** John 20: 1-18 Pg. 114

**SERMON:** "And She Told Them" Pastor Rebecca Gearhart

#### JOYS, CONCERNS, AND PASTORAL PRAYER

#### 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**RESPONSE** Glory Be to the Father Pg. 70

#### **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

\*OFFERING PRAYER AND DOXOLOGY Pg. 95

**\*HYMN** He Lives Pg. 310

#### \*BENEDICTION:

Dance, celebrate, sing, and shout for joy! Christ is Risen and He goes before us, into this world of fear and pain. He has called us to bring the Good News of healing and hope, of redemption. Go in peace, and feel the presence of the Risen Lord with you, now and forever. Amen

\*RESPONSE: God Be With You (vs. 1) Pg. 672

#### \*POSTLUDE

\*Please stand if you are able. \*TFWS The black song book

# THE WEEKLY CARILLON

Words of Encouragement"

"Ringing Out Bishop Hill UMC 405 East Main St Bishop Hill, IL 61419 Galva First UMC 214 NW 2nd Ave

Galva, IL 61434

March 31. 2024. Easter Sunday

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday Mar. 31 9am Easter Service Galva First service 10:15am Easter Service Bishop Hill service Monday, Apr. 1 9am Courtyard Bible Study Tuesday, Apr. 2 **5:30-6:45pm** Girl Scouts Wednesday, Apr. 3 7pm Boy Scouts

Sunday Apr. 7 **Holy Humor Sunday** (please bring a humorous joke or brief story to share)

9am Galva First service 10:15am Bishop Hill service



# SERVING US TODAY

Greeter BH.....Beth Magnuson Greeters GF.....Chuck &

**Sherry Linscott** 

Liturgist GF...Chet Travis

# Prayer Requests:

Mike Gross - Mark & Lisa Nordstrom's son-in-law, broke his arm;

Travis - Our Organist, Jennalynn Cisna's boyfriend passed away, prayers needed for family & friends;

Jori Anna - niece of Mark & Lisa Nordstrom, fighting a virus in hospital in Atlanta.

### Ongoing Prayers

John & Gary Coon; **Our Farmers:** Bill Craig - Ron's brother End of violence in Israel & Gaza;

Cole Goodley is nephew of Lisa & Mark Nordstrom;

Aticus Lee Jaco-grandson of Dean & Michelle Jaco;

David Jaco - on hospice care; **Kathy Johnston**;

Pam, friend of Kathy Johnson had brain surgery;

Miles Morey;

Naomi Peterson: Anita Sherman.

