

You can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there. You can nail it to a cross, wrap it in winding sheets and shut it up in a tomb, but it will rise!

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Glorious Victory"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Our Savior died, but is dead no longer!

People: Praise God! He is risen!

Leader: Our Savior has defeated death and conquered the grave.

People: Praise God! He is risen!

Leader: In Jesus Christ God has won the Victory over all that would separate us from the love of God!

People: Praise God! He is risen!

Leader: We are made new, and all of Creation can rejoice!

People: Praise God! He is risen!

Leader: Our Savior is alive! He is risen indeed! **AMEN.**

***HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today".....no. 289**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and mercy, we kneel before you today. We admit that we are unworthy to be called your children; we are unworthy to be called your friends. Yet you call us son, daughter and friend. You love us with a love unlike any we have ever known – love that is completely unconditional. We cannot wrap our human minds around what it would look like to love someone unconditionally. We try, but we fail. Still you love us, even in our failings. You love us, even in our unworthiness. We confess the ways that we have rejected your love. Give us hearts that are open to receiving it -- that we may experience the full measure of your abundant love. And may we love you always in return. AMEN.

+SILENT PRAYER (please use this time to confess your own personal sin)

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news and believe: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: By this we know the love of God: Jesus laid down his life for us. AMEN.

***GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 118:1-9 pg. 492

CHOIR ANTHEM "He Is Risen"

GOSPEL LESSON John 20:1-18 pg. 882

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

BELL CHOIR "Easter Celebration"

***THE CREED.....page 23 of red hymnal**

***HYMN "I Know that My Redeemer Lives".....no. 295**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY "Thine Is the Glory"

*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no.356

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

***COMMUNION LITURGY.....pg. 27-29**

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabbaoth;

Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of The Lord,

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN "Because He Lives".....no. 292**

CHORAL RESPONSE "Halleluiah Chorus"

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE (those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

Church website.....www.peaceunitedchurch.org

Pastor (pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org) William Hoch (335.0387)

Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Secretary (secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org).....Mrs. Beverly Madara

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Sylvia Leach and Linda Coventry

Greeters.....Brad and Amy Wolf and Family

Head Usher.....Greg Grill

The altar flowers are given in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Richard and Virginia Tobias.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Betty Kring

Pat Hall

Dana Keckler

On Saturday, April 11th there will be a work party at the church to polish all the woodwork. Please sign up on the secretary's window. We will begin at 8 am, if you cannot be here at 8, come when you are able.

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, April 7th – **No Bible Study**

Health and Welfare – 6:30 pm

Wednesday, April 8th – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 11th – Work day to polish the church's woodwork –
8:00 am

Tuesday, April 14th – Bible Study – 1:00 pm

Spiritual Council – 6:30 pm

Church Council – 7:00 pm

April 13th – 18th – Library Book Sale

Sunday, April 19th – Faith/Future Exploration – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 25th – Chicken BBQ

April 30th – May 2nd – Photo Shoot for Directory

Sunday, May 3rd – Health and Welfare Sunday

We are in the last quarter of our **Secure the Future Campaign**. If you have questions about your standing please speak to John Haldeman.

Pastor Bill will be away for several days this week. Pastor Megan Malick will be filling the Pulpit on Sunday, April 12th.

Pictures will be taken for the new directory from April 30th – May 2nd.

You can sign up either after church or online at

www.church-directories.com.