

**April 16, 2023**

**Prelude and Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Diane Wogaman

Leader: Christ our Savior is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

**People: Break forth into joy! Sing together!**

Leader: We who once suffered in death, we who once cried to despair –

**People: Now we know victory over death! Now we know joy over despair!**

**ALL: For God has raised Christ from the grave!**

**The tomb is empty and death has been defeated for all the earth!**

**\*Hymn #243: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Scripture Reading:**

John 20:19-31

Terry Henderson

**Anthem**

**Time With Young Disciples**

Rick Ransom

**Unison Prayer**

**God of the Risen Christ, you love us so much to raise Christ from the tomb. Through this act, you grant us new life and redeeming grace. You grant us peace in death-dying love. You grant us forgiveness of sin. You welcome us back – without revenge – when we have been faithless. Bring us your peace and lead us to forgive others. Carry us through our times of disbelief.**

**May we believe that Jesus is the Christ! In that belief may we have life in Christ's name! In the name of the Risen One, we pray. Amen.**

**Sermon: "Come and See"**

Rev. Drew Nettinga

**\*Hymn #256: "We Live by Faith and Not by Sight"**

**The Community at Prayer**

*Joys and Concerns*

Diane Wogaman

*Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer*

Rev. Drew Nettinga

**Prayer Response**

## **Invitation to the Offering**

*(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)*

### **\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer, we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #253: "Your Is the Glory, Resurrected One"**

**\*Commissioning and Blessing**

**\*Choral Response**

**\*Postlude**