

Community of the Savior



The Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

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Evangelically Rooted • Liturgically Formed • Socially Engaged

Next Sunday, April 21

Fourth Sunday of Easter, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Barb Bushart will be our preacher and Doug Cullum will preside at the Lord's Table. The scripture readings are Acts 4:5-12, Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24, and John 10:11-18.

Coffee and Conversation—Everyone is welcome to meet in the fellowship hall each Sunday between the worship services for refreshments and conversation.

Faith Formation for Children, Youth and Adults: 9:00 a.m. Sundays

Nursery: newborn to preschool

Junior Explorers: preschool through kindergarten

Explorers: 1st through 6th grade

Youth Group: 7th through 12th grade

Adults: Encounters with the Risen Lord, facilitated by Harry Heintz

This Tuesday, April 16 at 11:00 a.m.: RPC Service and Lunch

Each 3rd Tuesday of the month, CoS welcomes our neighbors from the Rochester Psychiatric Center for a worship service and luncheon at 11:00am. Everyone is welcome to join and enjoy worshipping and table fellowship with our neighbors and RPC staff.

This Wednesday, April 17: Every Knee

Every Knee is a monthly informal service of worship through acoustic contemporary music, scripture, and prayer. Typically, Every Knee is on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The next services are April 17 and May 15.

This Friday, April 19: CoS Game Night

All are invited this Friday from 6:00-9:00 pm. Bring a favorite family game and a snack or dessert to share. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Hope to see you there!

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WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS OUR RISEN LORD

As we enter to worship, let us gather in quiet contemplation and prayer.

To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God. (Archbishop William Temple)

Community Moments

Preparation for Worship

Please stand, if able

Greeting

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen**

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Gathering Hymn

The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with three verses. The first verse is '1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,'. The second verse is '2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right'. The third verse is '3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;'. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

Opening Prayer

All: Holy and righteous God, you raised Christ from the dead and glorified him at your right hand. Let the words of scripture, fulfilled in Jesus your Son, burn within our hearts and open our minds to recognize him in the breaking of bread. Amen.

Please be seated

Call to Confession

Leader: We have received the faithful witness of the resurrection, but we hoard our joy, and are reluctant servants of Jesus. Let us ask the Lord to forgive us for the sins we can name and save us from the sins we hide.

Song of Reflection

Refiner's Fire

1. Pu ri - fy my heart, let me be as gold and
2. Pu ri - fy my heart, cleanse me from with - in and
pre - cious sil - ver. Pu - ri - fy my heart, let me be as gold,
make me ho - ly. Pu - ri - fy my heart, cleanse me from my sin,
pure gold. Re - fin - er's fire; My heart's one de - sire is to be
deep with - in.
ho - ly, set a - part for You, Lord. I choose to be ho - ly,
set a - part for You, my Mas - ter; Read - y to do Your will.

Silent Personal Confession

Corporate Confession

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Leader: In Jesus Christ there is no sin, and he has been revealed to the world to take away sin. All who repent and turn to God have their sins wiped out through Jesus Christ our Lord. Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven; be at peace.

All: Amen.

...TO OPEN OURSELVES TO THE LIVING WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The First Reading

Acts 3:12-19
(Pew Bible, NT 92)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalter

Psalms 4

The refrain is sung first by the cantor, then by the congregation. It repeats as led by the cantor

Lord, let your face shine up - on us, shine up -
on us, shine up - on us.

The Second Reading

1 John 3:1-7
(Pew Bible, NT 188)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, if able

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial

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The Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48
(Pew Bible, NT 69)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please be seated

Liturgy Moments

After Liturgy Moments, children who wish are invited to participate in Faith Formation (8:45, preschool-high school) or Children's Worship (11:00, preschool-3rd grade) on the lower level.

Go in peace, the peace of Christ, and

learn the ways of God.

Sermon

Silent Reflection

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Please stand, if able

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he arose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Tithes and offerings may be placed in an offering basket at the door, given through the online giving portal at cosmthope.com/give, or mailed to Community of the Savior

The Offering and Presentation of Gifts

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling,
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er,
3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion,

Joy of heav'n to earth come down!
Let us all your life re - ceive;
Pure and spot - less, gra - cious Lord,

Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing,
Sud - den - ly see re - turn and nev - er,
Let us see your great sal - va - tion

All your faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Nev - er more your tem - ples leave.
Per - fect - ly in you re - stored.

Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,
Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

Love un - bound - ed, love all pure;
Serve you as your hosts a - bove,
Till in heav'n we take our place,

Vis - it us with your sal - va - tion,
Pray, and praise you with - out ceas - ing,
Till we sing be - fore the al - might - y

Let your love in us en - dure.
Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
Lost in won - der, love and praise.

...TO FEAST AT THE TABLE OF JESUS, OUR LORD

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The leader offers thanks to God with a prayer appropriate to the season, concluding with:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na, high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est." The score includes a descant section marked "Descant: Ho -" above the final line of music. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Please be seated

The leader continues the prayer of thanks to God for the acts of salvation, remembering Jesus' words of institution, and concluding:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

J All:

Sop. Descant

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en;
Christ will come a - gain.

The leader prays for the presence of the Holy Spirit, and for Christian unity, concluding, ...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

J All:

A - men, a - men, a - men.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

Breaking the Bread

Gently

mp

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

mf Sop. Descant

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant us peace.

Slower

sins of the world: grant us peace.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

***People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

The Lord's Table at Community of the Savior is an open table. All who embrace faith in Christ are welcome to receive the Eucharist. Two communion lines form, beginning with the front rows; the pastor will place the bread in your hand, then you will move to the cup, dip the bread in the cup and partake. Individual cups are also available. In recognition of the various streams of Christian tradition that converge at CoS, followers of Christ who have not yet received baptism may receive, but are encouraged to contact one of the pastors as soon as possible to consider Christ's invitation to baptism. Those who do not wish to partake are invited to come with arms crossed over their chest, and the pastor will pray a brief prayer of blessing for you as you move through the line. A gluten free option is available. Please ask the server. In solidarity with all who struggle with addiction, the Eucharistic Cup at CoS is non-alcoholic.

Healing Prayer: Those with a special need are invited to receive prayer and anointing with oil, if desired. Simply move to the prayer station and a pastor will pray a brief prayer for you.

...***TO GO FORTH IN THE RENEWING POWER OF THE SPIRIT***

Please stand, if able

Post-Communion Prayer

All: Creator of the universe, you made the world in beauty, and restore all things in glory through the victory of Jesus Christ. We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war and greed, the new creation in Jesus Christ may appear in justice, love, and peace, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Hymn of Going Forth

To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry, great things he hath done; so loved he the
2 O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood, to ev - ery be -
3 Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our re -

world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er, and high - er and

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the

Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther through

Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry, great things he hath done.

Charge and Blessing

Brief History of Community of the Savior

On the first Sunday of Advent 2007, after many months, prayer and discernment, Community of the Savior started weekly worship services as an evening congregation of New Hope Free Methodist Church. Founding co-pastors Gloria Roorda and Doug Cullum were joined by a faithful core group of people to help launch the vision of a church that yearned to be both faithful to historic Christianity and meaningfully responsive to the needs of the present world. Increasingly the leadership team of CoS felt called to move to a Sunday morning service in order to more faithfully fulfill its mission. In spring 2009, CoS joined Edgewood Free Methodist Church as one of the worshipping communities in Edgewood's multi-site approach to ministry, and on Pentecost Sunday began morning worship at St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry. Community of the Savior became a Free Methodist church society on March 16, 2014. We began worshipping in the former South Presbyterian Church at 4 E. Henrietta Road on October 19, 2014. Welcome to the journey!

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