

Anthon United Methodist Church

Easter Sunday

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

April 9, 2023 10:00 AM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

L: Christ Has Risen

P: He Has Risen indeed

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We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" UMH #302

Call to Worship Liturgist: JoLynne Reimert

L: Christ is risen!

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Death never gets the final word.

L: Death has lost its sting.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Rejoice in this day of salvation.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever. Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

Living God, rejoicing in this day of resurrection, we have come to celebrate the strength of your love— a love that triumphs even over death. As we exult in the miracle of your incarnate love, we thank you for the opportunity to encounter the Risen Christ here in our midst. Amen.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Matthew 28: 1-10

Hymn of Preparation "The Day of Resurrection" UMH #303

Gospel Reading John 20: 1-18
Response to the Word Shirley and JoLynne

Today's Message "Christ has Risen" Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology #95,**

Prayer of Dedication

All: Almighty and gracious God, we pray for your blessing today. As we come to give you our tithes and offerings, we ask that you would bless us in return. We bring our gifts to you this morning with love and support for your kingdom's work. In Jesus name we pray. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "Because He Lives" UMH #364
Roger Hladik Verses and **Congregation Refrain**

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude//Extinguishing of candles

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....JoLynne Reimert
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Eleanore Lewis, Fran & Keith Determann, David Beach, Susan Redenius, Dee Ashley, Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Ralph Diamond, Trisha Thiessen, Randy Hayworth, Doris Waugh, Marvin Hanson, Barb & Cal Tyre, and Sympathy to the Family of Steve Diamond. Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Easter Lilies are welcome to decorate our Sanctuary. Leave a note if they are a memorial to a loved one.

April 10: Ad Board meeting at 7:00pm.

April 12: We will be having a congregational meeting to discuss our church affiliation/disaffiliation at 7:00 p.m.

April 23: We will be having a congregational meeting on Sunday afternoon at 2pm, to discuss our church affiliation/disaffiliation. We will be doing straw poll votes to see how the congregation feels about this subject.

April 12: Women of Faith meeting at 10:30. Following our meeting, we are invited to Merville for a luncheon and fellowship. Berth Lindula will be speaking about her life in the Congo and her life now as the District Superintendent's wife. Contact Sally Schram if you would like to attend so we can let them know how many will attend.

Missions: The front doors of the church will be open to drop off items

For April Mission Projects: Spring House Cleaning is coming. The Orphan Grain Train out of Ida Grove has been chosen for our new mission project. They are in need of shoes (wearable, good condition, but no high heel women's shoes. They also need men, women and children's clothes, scrubs, walkers, canes, crutches, and wheelchairs.

We are also starting our ingathering collection for our hygiene kits. There will be a list of needs on the table in the fellowship hall.

Mar. Readers: Apr. 16-Roger Hladik, Apr. 23-Marilyn Hladik, Apr. 30-JoLynne Reimert, May 7-Lisa Kerns, May 14-Autumn Hansen.

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Tyler Hoy (12), Nick Boggs; Tom Herrick (13).

Apr. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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