

The Feast of the Resurrection

March 31, 2024 4 E. Henrietta Road Rochester, New York 14620 www.CoSMtHope.org

Next Sunday, April 7

Second Sunday of Easter, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Doug Cullum will be our preacher and Barb Bushart and Katie Sawade Hall will preside at the Lord's Table. The scripture readings are Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; and John 20:1–18.

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, April 7 led by Josef Sykora.

Baptism/First Communion Preparation

CoS offers age-appropriate classes designed to prepare children for their first full reception of Holy Communion. Pastors Barb and Katie will be facilitating preparation for Baptism and First Communion during the season of Easter. If your child has not been baptized or received their First Communion, and you believe your child may be ready for one or both, you can email Barb or Katie for further details.

Spring Happenings at CoS

CoS Game Night

April 19th, 7:00pm: More info to come

Wednesday Women's Book Study

The Wednesday Morning Women's group meets in the CoS lounge on Wednesdays from 11:00 am-12:15 pm. A new book study will begin in mid-April; more details coming soon.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

CoS hosts a Bible Study, meeting Wednesday mornings at 6:00 a.m. in the lounge.

Youth Group (grades 7-12)

Meets twice a month for special Saturday gatherings, along with weekly faith formation on Sunday mornings.

Cloister Communities

CoS cloister communities are groups of 5-12 people who band together for worship, mutual encouragement, Bible study, and prayer. Guided by trained facilitators, these small faith communities meet on various days and times at least twice per month

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.

Contact the church office for more information on any of these activities.

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WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS OUR RISEN LORD

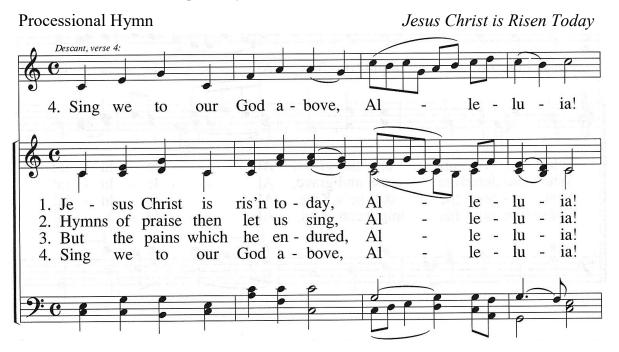
As we enter to worship, let us gather in quiet contemplation and prayer.

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 as the cross passes, 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!

Leader: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Opening Prayer

All: Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

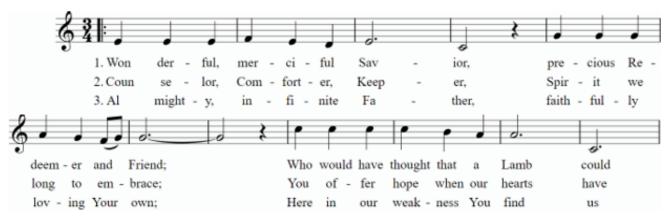
Please be seated

Call to Confession

Leader: Dear friends, as we gather in the glow of the Paschal candle to ponder anew God's gracious provision for us in Christ, let us be mindful of our sins and honestly confess them before God and one another.

Song of Reflection

Wonderful, Merciful Savior





Silent Personal Confession

Corporate Confession

All: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust in your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, hear the good news! Jesus Christ died for our sins and has been raised by God as judge of the living and the dead. All who entrust their lives to him receive forgiveness of sins through his name. As you earnestly repent and turn to God, know that your sins are forgiven and rest in God's love.

All: Amen.

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

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Living God, by your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to see the new light of this day; open our lips to tell of the empty tomb; open our hearts to believe the good news; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9 (Pew Bible, OT 505)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

The Psalter

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

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



The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (Pew Bible, NT 135)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand, if able

Gospel Acclamation



The Gospel

John 20:1–18 (Pew Bible, NT 88)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

Liturgy Moments

Sermon

Silent Reflection

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

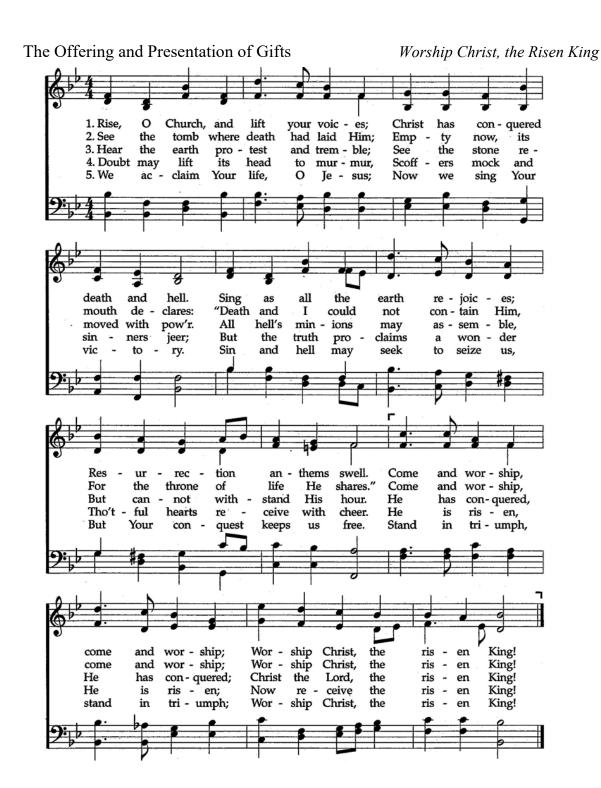
All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he arose 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



...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.

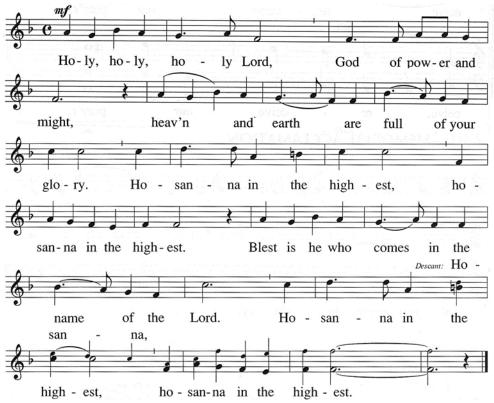
People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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:

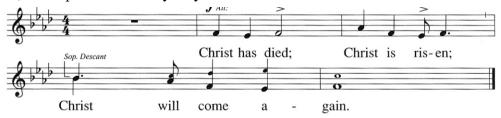
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.



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.



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



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: Sovereign God, you have established your rule over the human heart, not by force but by the servant example of Jesus Christ. Move us by your Spirit to join the joyful procession of those who confess Christ Jesus with their tongues and praise him with their lives. Amen.



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 worshiping 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 worshiping in the former South Presbyterian Church at 4 E. Henrietta Road on October 19, 2014. Welcome to the journey!

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