

**April 07, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

2nd Sunday of Easter

United Christian Church of Austin

## **-- GATHERING --**

### **PRELUDE**

Nick Jimenez, *Accompanist*

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(See page 13 for printed announcements)*

Pastor Janet Maykus  
*Interim Senior Minister*

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jenny Veninga, *Liturgist*

One: We gather in the name of the risen Lord.

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: We gather to share our faith and to worship God.

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: We gather to proclaim the good news of Easter!

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

“O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”  
NCH #244, vv 1, 2, 4, 6

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing  
the flower of heaven, alive as spring,  
o'er death today rose triumphing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

That Easter morn at break of day,  
the faithful women went their way  
to seek the tomb where Jesus lay,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard,  
he counted what they said absurd,  
but seeing Christ his faith was stirred:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days,  
our hearts and voices, Christ, we raise  
to you in jubilee and praise.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## CALL TO CONFESSION

Jenny Veninga, Liturgist

Let us approach God with confidence, trusting in God's grace as we humbly confess our sins.

**All:** God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, help us to change our ways, and make us whole. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Pastor Janet Maykus

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The people are invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another such as a greeting, handshake, etc.*

One: Peace be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

# -- THE WORD --

## OUTREACH COLLECTION

"Halle, Halle, Halle"

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!  
Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

### Verses

*Cantor:* 1. Glo - ry to God on high! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! *Cantor:* Glo - ry from  
2. Glo - ry, cre - a - tor praise! Glo - ry and  
3. Glo - ry, rolled a - way the stone! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! *Cantor:* Glo - ry, His  
4. Glo - ry! to our God we sing! Glo - ry our  
5. Glo - ry! O Ho - ly Lord! Glo - ry! O  
far and wide! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! *Cantor:* Glo - ry and  
thanks we raise! Glo - ry and  
death has flown! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! *Cantor:* Glo - ry, for  
song takes wing! Glo - ry! to  
Christ, a - dored! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! *Cantor:* Glo - ry! O  
peace on earth a - bide! *All:* Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! **D.C.**  
bless - ing all our days!  
Je - sus lives a - gain!  
Christ our love we bring!  
Spir - it, now out - poured!

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# TIME FOR CHILDREN

Emily Jamison Guerrero  
Director of Children's Ministries

All children are invited to come forward to take a blue basket to collect outreach offerings. You may donate money or items for our little free pantry.

After our Outreach Collection, children and the young-at-heart are invited to sit on the chancel steps or floor in front of the steps.

Following the prayer, children are invited to the Children's Wing for the remainder of worship, or may return to sit with their families.

## CHILDREN'S SENDING SONG      refrain from "[Peace, My Friends](#)"

### PEACE, MY FRIENDS

Ray Repp

Refrain



Peace I leave with you, my friends. Sha-lom, my peace in  
all you do. Peace I leave with you, my friends.  
I give to you so you can give to oth - ers, too.

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## SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-31 (NRSVUE)  
Jenny Veninga, *Liturgist*

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

One: This is the Word of God for all the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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# SERMON

# "Ask for What You Need"

Pastor Janet Maykus

# HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Sing the World that God Imagines"

(Piano intro/interlude)

Sing the world that God i - ma-gines, Sing of jus-tice,  
Sing the world that God i - ma-gines, Sing of all the  
Build the world that God i - ma-gines, Birth a day of

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joy, and peace! Sing of wel-come off-ered free-ly, sing of love's un-  
hung-ry— fed. Sing the free-ing of the cap-tives, sing of wine and  
hope re - stored! Ga - ther in the lost and lone-ly. Heal the sick and

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ending feast. What we sing can call us on-ward, what we-sing can made demands.  
sing of bread. What we sing can stir our spir - its. what we-sing can help us care.  
tend the poor, ours the work of co-cre - a - tion, ours the sea-son to re-joice!

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As we sing, we live God's fu - ture, heart and soul and mind and hands.  
Sing the ho - ly in - vi - ta - tion, sing of won-der ev - ery-where.  
Join in love's i - ma - gi - na - tion, Take your place and raise your voice!

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# -- PRAYER TIME --

## PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Janet Maykus

*As petitions conclude, each will end with:*

One: O Lord,

**All: hear our prayer.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father/Creator who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom/kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom/kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

# -- OFFERTORY --

## INVITATION TO GIVING

## OFFERTORY

*We invite you to partner with us in mission and ministries.  
Offertory plates will be passed around the Sanctuary at this time.  
Alternatively, you may give online at [uccaustin.org/give](https://uccaustin.org/give)  
or scan the QR codes in the pew to be connected to giving websites.  
It is through your generosity that this exceptional community  
of friendship, faith and service is possible.*

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# \*DOXOLOGY

## “Let’s Praise God”

Marco Adria

R. Vaughan Williams,  
adapt. E. Harold Geer

Let's praise God for ea- ch good thing; all cre - a - tions shou- t and sing! Praise three

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per- sons, yet one love; Ma - ker, Sa - vior, Ho - - ly Dove!

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A - - - - - men.

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# -- HOLY COMMUNION --

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Pastor Janet Maykus

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## TABLE BLESSING

Meredith Quick, Deacon

## CALL TO THE TABLE

Pastor Janet Maykus

*All are now invited to come forward down the center aisle for communion.  
You may open your hands for a piece of bread from the common loaf.*

*The deacons hold split chalices that have both **RED** wine  
and **WHITE** grape juice in them.  
Please use what is right for you.*

*Alternatively, single-serve communion kits with gluten-free wafers and juice are  
available in the tray that I will be holding, if that works best for you.*

*Please return to your seats by the side aisles.*

*A deacon will come around to serve any who remain seated.  
You may also use the time to light a candle of prayer.*

*Come now, for the table is ready.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

## \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor Janet Maykus

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# -- WE GO OUT TO SERVE --

## \*SENDING HYMN

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

1. I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2. We want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3. We want to share his love with the world.

I want to fol - low like Je - sus.  
We want to live like Je - sus.  
Spread - ing the joy of Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The  
Clear sun of right-cous-ness shine on our path And  
Shin - ing like stars with his rad - i - cal love, On

star of my life way to the Je - sus.  
show us the way to the Kin - dom.  
earth as it is in hea - ven.

In Him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.

Shine from our hearts, O Je - sus.

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**\*BENEDICTION/SENDING**

Pastor Janet Maykus

One: As our Sunday worship ends,

**ALL: Let our service begin!**

**POSTLUDE**

Nick Jimenez

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## -- ANNOUNCEMENTS --

**TODAY, Sunday, April 7, 11:15am-12:15pm - Adult Discussion Class** in Room 6 with Rev. Janet Maykus.

**TODAY, Sunday, April 7, 5:30-7:30pm - Sunday Small Group** (*child care provided*).

**Tuesday, April 9, 8am-Breakfast Fellowship.** All are welcome to join for breakfast and fellowship, weekly on Tuesday mornings. Contact Kenneth Dalley for details.

**Tuesday, April 9, 1pm-Tuesday Book Group** (*on Zoom, link provided in Friday's e-newsletter*). The current book is "Blessed Are the Women" by Claire K. McKeever-Burgett. This is a 10-week study that anyone is welcome to join at any time. Please contact Diane Baker for more information.

**Tuesday, April 9, 6:30-8:00pm - Tuesday Small Group.**

**Thursday, April 11, 6:30-8:00pm - Thursday Small Group** (*child-friendly*).

**Friday, April 12, 9:30am-11:00am - Not Ready For Prime Time Book Group** (*on Zoom, link in Friday's e-newsletter*). Monthly discussion on the group's current book which can be found on the UCC website.

**Sunday, April 14, 11:15am-12:15pm - Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting.** Meetings to follow on April 21st & May 5th. Contact Emily Jamison Guerrero for details.

**Sunday, April 14, 11:30am - Second Sunday Social** at Aviator Pizza.

**Sunday, April 14, 11:40am - Bell & Chime Choir Rehearsal.**

**Monday, April 15, 6:30-7:10pm - Finance Committee Meeting** (*on Zoom, link provided in Friday's e-newsletter, or contact Jon Kinder*).

**Monday, April 15, 7:10-8:00pm - Executive Council Meeting** (*on Zoom, link provided in Friday's e-newsletter, or contact Jon Kinder*).

**Wednesday, April 17, 9:30-11:00am - Wednesday Small Group.**