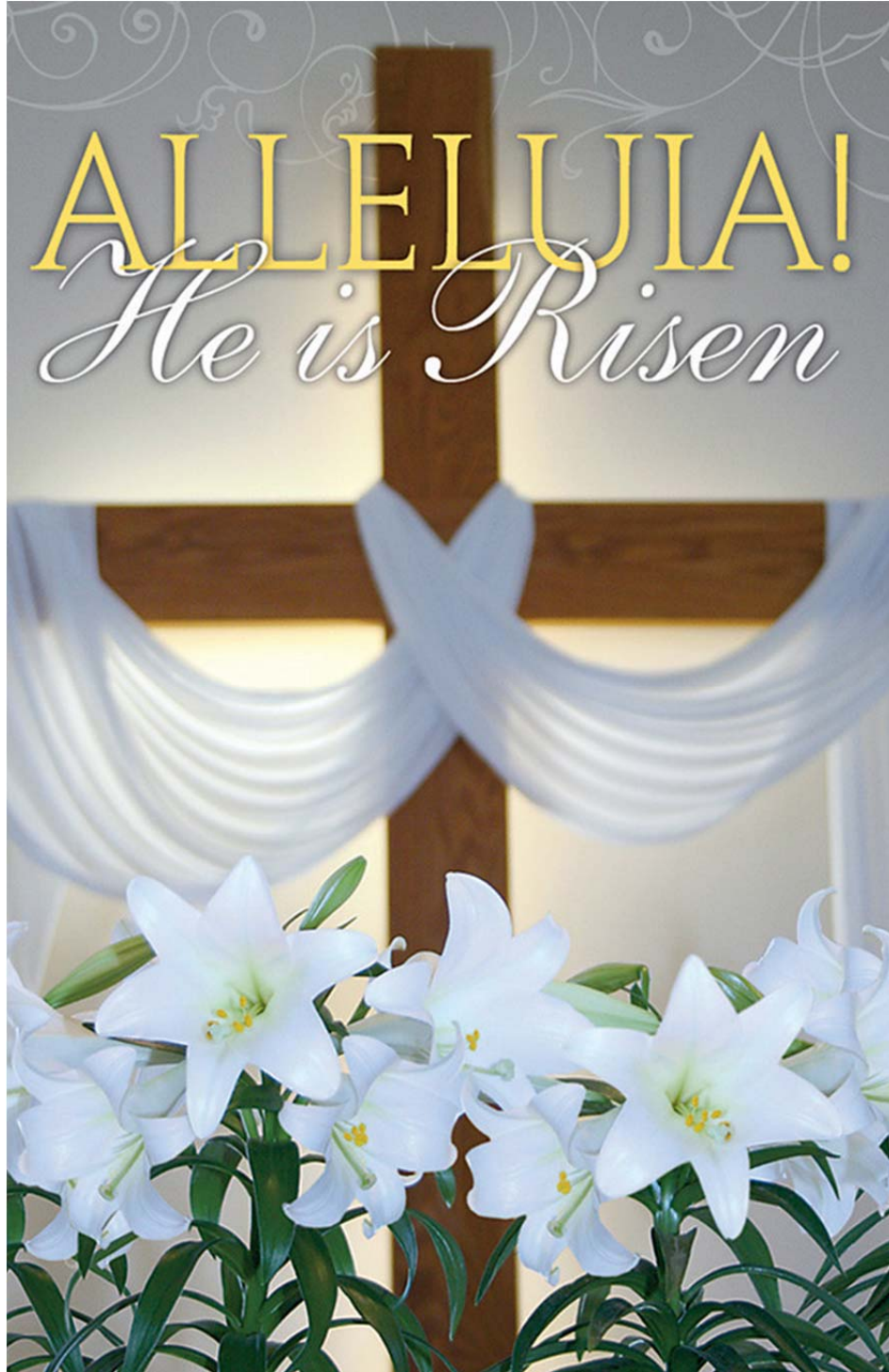


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*An Open & Affirming Congregation*

**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, April 4, 2021

9:30 a.m.

**Easter Sunday  
The Sacrament of Communion**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE:** *At Dawning*

William Stickles

**CHORAL INTROIT:** *I Will Worship the Lord*

Words and music by John Rutter

I will worship the Lord all the days of my life.  
I will tell of God's glory and show forth God's praise.  
I will sing and rejoice for the Lord is my stronghold.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*OPENING HYMN:** "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

**V155**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Praise God, who brings life out of death and hope out of despair!

**PEOPLE: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ from the dead.**

Leader: Praise God, who gathers up the fragments left by human destruction and creates new possibilities.

**PEOPLE: Christ has risen!**

**ALL: Alleluia! Christ has risen indeed!\*\***

**\*LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison**

Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space;

let sun and moon and stars and light and what lies hidden praise your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or yet untold;

let waters fragile blend with air, enabling life, proclaim your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race;

let peace, descending like a dove, make known on earth your healing love. Amen.

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

We rejoice, mighty God, that you have raised Jesus Christ from the dead. We praise you and glorify your name. New life blossoms where dead hopes were buried. Today the world is made new. Be known among us in resurrection power; through Jesus, our crucified and risen Savior.\*\* Amen.

**LITANY OF CONFESSION:**

**PEOPLE: God forgive.**

**ALL: Tender God, raise us in your love so that, with joy, we may witness to your awesome deeds, in the name of Jesus the Risen One. Amen.\*\* ~silence~**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**ALL: Christ is with us always. Alleluia! Amen. \*\***

**THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Acts 10:34-43

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Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

\***HYMN:** “Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks”

**V179****THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Mark 16:1-8

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When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** *Hallelujah! We Shall Rise Text:*

John E. Thomas Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir

Arr. Sheldon Curry

On that resurrection morning,  
When the trump of God shall sound,  
We shall rise! We shall rise!  
Then the saints will come rejoicing  
And no tears will e'er be found,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise.

Blessed thought it is to me,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise!  
I shall see my blessed Savior,  
Who so freely died for me,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise!  
[Refrain]

We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise!  
Amen! We shall rise! Hallelujah!  
In the resurrection morning,  
When death's prison bars are broken,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! We shall rise.  
In the resurrection morning,

In the resurrection morning,  
We shall meet Him in the air,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise!  
And be carried up to glory,  
To our home so bright and fair,  
We shall rise, Hallelujah! we shall rise!

**MEDITATION:** “Terror and Amazement”

Scott G. Morrow

**PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE OFFERTORY:**

\*Doxology

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

Invitation and Consecration

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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

Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**GREETING OF PEACE**

*May the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you always!*

\***CLOSING HYMN:** “Thine Is the Glory”

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\***THE BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** *Hallelujah Chorus* from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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**Easter Lilies decorate the sanctuary in memory and honor of those that are named in the bulletin and those who live in our hearts.**

**In Our Prayers This Week are:** Heather Rowe-Purcell, Onna & Sam Gott, Ben & Cole Purcell, Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Bellonio, Stefan McKosky, Linda Shannon, Joyce Bellonio, Betsy Gumbart, Shirley Ryan and all the family.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Sandy Carter 04/04, Tanner Dubail 04/04, Deborah McKosky 04/05, Gloria Santamauro 04/07.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** Rich & Sandy Mayhew 04/11.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Items for Online Auction Fundraiser** Thank you to those who have sent in photos of items you are donating for our church's on-line fundraising auction. We have received donations including antiques, bicycles, a piano, waterford, jewelry, a treadmill and more. If you have items to donate and have not been in touch with us yet, please contact us or send a photo. If you have already sent in your photo of items to be donated, thank you and please plan to drop off the items at church, Saturday May 1st - 9am to 11am. More news and information to follow. Thank you for your generosity.

The **Busy Bees** – Patience **Benassi**, Martin **Benassi**, Priscilla **Bradford** and Martha **Butterworth**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS\***

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/4</b>	<b>6:00 a.m.</b> 9:30 4:00 p.m. 5:00	<b>EASTER Sunrise Service (Town Green)</b> WORSHIP (EASTER SUNDAY) – (LiveStream) OASIS 5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Grade GAME NIGHT (Zoom) OASIS (Zoom)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>4/5</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4/6</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 5:30 p.m. 7:00	<b>Music Together (Lawn)</b> BIBLE STUDY (Zoom) MLB (Zoom)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>4/7</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 10:00 1:30 p.m. 7:00	<b>Music Together (Lawn)</b> FOOD PANTRY OPEN STAFF MEETING (Zoom) REOPENING (Zoom)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>4/8</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Music Together (Lawn)</b> CHANCEL CHOIR (Zoom)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>4/9</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 10:00	<b>Music Together (Lawn)</b> FOOD PANTRY OPEN
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4/10</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> 9:30 10:30	<b>SPRING CLEANUP (LAWN)</b> Music Together (Lawn) Music Together (Lawn)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/11</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 11:00 12:00 p.m. 4:00 5:00	<b>SUNDAY WORSHIP – (LiveStream)</b> Church School: PreK-Gr2 (Zoom) Church School: Gr3-Gr7 (Zoom) OASIS 5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Grade GAME NIGHT (Zoom) OASIS (Zoom)

\*Small print indicates non-Church function

**Bold print starts new day.**

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**MISSION**

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

**VISION**

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

**VALUES**

We:

- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

Descant

4 Sing we to our God a - bove, hal - le - lu - jaht

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

Praise e - ter - nal as God's love, hal - le - lu - jaht

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,  
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King,  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured,  
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love,

Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host, hal - le - lu - jaht

who did once, up - on the cross,  
 who en - dured the cross and grave,  
 now a - bove the sky he's King,  
 praise our God, ye heaven - ly host,

Praise the Son and Ho - ly Ghost. Hal - le - lu - jaht

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save.  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.  
 praise the Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Descant

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

Unison (C) F Dm Gm C

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah. Give thanks to the ris - en Christ;

hal - le - lu - jah, praise to God's name.

F A Dm Gm C7 F

hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Give praise to God's name.

F Dm Bb C

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth,  
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ,  
 4 Come let us praise the liv - ing God,

F Dm Bb C D.C.

first - born of all cre - a - tion.  
 Je - sus has died and is ris - en.  
 now we shall live for ev - er.  
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - iour.



1 À toi la gloi - re, Ô Res - sus - ci - tél  
 2 Vois - le pa - raî - tre: c'est lui, c'est Jé - sus,  
 1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son:  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb!

À toi la vic - toi - re pour l'é - ter - ni - tél  
 ton sau - veur, ton maî - trel Oh! ne dou - te plus.  
 end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.  
 Lov - ing - ly he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom.

Bril - lant de lu - miè - re, l'ange est des - cen - du,  
 Sois dans l'al - lé - ges - se, peu - ple du Sei - gneur,  
 An - gels in bright rai - ment rolled the stone a - way,  
 Let the church with glad - ness hymns of tri - umph sing,

il rou - le la pier - re du tom - beau vain - cu.  
 et re - dis sans ces - se que Christ est vain - queur!  
 kept the fold - ed grave - clothes where the bod - y lay.  
 for the Lord now liv - eth: death hath lost its sting.

À toi la gloi - re, Ô Res - sus - ci - tél  
 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son:

À toi la vic - toi - re pour l'é - ter - ni - tél  
 end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

3 Craindrais-je encore?  
 Il vit à jamais,  
 celui que j'adore,  
 le prince de paix;  
 il est ma victoire,  
 mon puissant soutien,  
 ma vie et ma gloire:  
 non, je ne crains rien!

*Refrain*

3 No more we doubt thee,  
 glorious Prince of life,  
 life is nought without thee:  
 aid us in our strife,  
 make us more than conquerors,  
 through thy deathless love;  
 bring us safe through Jordan  
 to thy home above.

*Refrain*

# *Lily Dedications*



*2021*

*GIVEN BY:*

Carla (James) & Mike Hill

In loving memory of my parents- Philip & Cynthia James, and my brother Brian James.

Lorraine Scarpello

In loving memory of Ceil Scarpello

Cheryl Bogert

In loving memory of my mom and dad, Joan and Al Bogert.

Linda Rankin

In memory of Arthur F. Wolfe and Astrid Hansen Wolfe, the dear parents of Linda Wolfe Rankin, and our forever four-footed friends, Shane, Hinckley, and Franklin.

John Rankin

In memory of John H. Rankin, Jr., and Frances Mandeville Rankin, beloved parents of John H. Rankin the 3rd.

Lorraine Burdge & Family

In loving memory of Bruce L. Burdge, loving husband.

Jim and Joan Bennett

In loving memory of Jean Bennett & Ethel Flynn

Heather Rowe-Purcell

In loving memory of David Purcell

Mastracchio Family

In loving memory of Joseph DeLucia

Carol Amico and Scott Morrow

In loving memory of Anthony and Frances Amico and Robert Amico.

In loving memory of Robert and Marylou Morrow.



*If you would like to donate in remembrance of a loved one, please send a check to the church office or donate online. Please make sure to include the dedication. We will be including the list again next Sunday.*