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*North Haven*

*Congregational Church*

United Church of Christ



North Haven, Connecticut

*An Open & Affirming Congregation*

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

**Sunday, April 17, 2022**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Easter Sunday**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE:** Introduction and Toccata in G Major

William Walond

**CHORAL INTROIT:** *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done*

The Chancel Choir

Text: Latin Hymn, c. 1695; trans. Frances Pott 1861

Music: (*VICTORY* with alleluias; Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1591

Adapt. William Henry Monk, 1861

1 The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
the victory of life is won;  
the song of triumph has begun.  
Alleluia!

2 The powers of death have done their worst,  
but Christ their legions hath dispersed.  
Let shouts of holy joy outburst.  
Alleluia!

3 The three sad days are quickly sped;  
he rises glorious from the dead.  
All glory to our risen Head.  
Alleluia!

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

**V155**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Christ has risen!

**PEOPLE: Christ has risen indeed!**

Leader: God is alive...

**PEOPLE: new birth is given.**

Leader: Hope is alive...

**PEOPLE: a new age is dawning.**

Leader: Joy is alive ...

**PEOPLE: redemption is here.**

Leader: Love is alive ...

**PEOPLE: death cannot harm us.**

Leader: We are alive ...

**PEOPLE: New life is within us!**

Leader: The church is alive ...

**ALL: God's Spirit is within us. Let us celebrate the God of resurrection!\*\***

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

Loving God, we ask your blessing on the far-flung community  
of North Haven Congregational Church – family and friends, seekers and servants,  
Make us a people of prayer and peace.  
Give us hearts wide enough to embrace all whose lives we touch.  
May our presence among others be a constant witness for justice, compassion and hope.  
Amen. ## St. Joan of Arc, adapted

## **PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison**

Holy God, giver of new life, we come this morning with our alleluias, our banners and  
flowers and trumpets and song. We come to worship in beauty and in truth because we  
have faith that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead, because we have hope that the  
resurrection will enter into each of our lives and transform them, and because, through  
Christ's spirit, we have come to love one another. Accept our worship, gracious God.  
Be present with us as a daystar, miracle, and mystery, and as the tender hands of grace.  
Amen. \*\*\*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER (*trespasses*)**

Organ Amen

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.

## **THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25**

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For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be  
remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in  
Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in  
it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years  
will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered  
accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat  
their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another  
eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long  
enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for  
calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord— and their descendants as  
well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf  
and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—  
its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the  
Lord.

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

**THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Luke 24:1-12

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But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

**ANTHEM:** *Christians, Celebrate and Sing!*  
Sung by the Chancel Choir

Words and Music by Lloyd Larson  
Incorporating *Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart*

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Christians, celebrate and sing!  
Lift your voices, let them ring!  
Jesus lives! O praise the King. Alleluia!

The King of glory lives today,  
Heaven and Earth rejoice and say  
“Alleluia! Alleluia!” The Lord of life, the truth and way.

Christians, celebrate and sing!  
Lift your voices, let them ring!  
Jesus lives! O praise the King. Alleluia!  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Alleluia!

**SERMON:** “Go Home Amazed”

Scott Morrow

**PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Organ Response

## 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

## GREETING OF PEACE ~unison

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

\*CLOSING HYMN: "Christ Is Alive"

V158

## \*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Postlude on *Easter Hymn*

G. Snowbeck

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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*We extend special thanks* this morning to trumpet, Reginald Mayo III, to Organist Gary Snowbeck, to Music Director Jeff Hutchins, and to the Chancel Choir!

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**Greeters** today are Ed & Mary Ellen Collett. **Deacon** is Tim Peiffer.

**In Our Prayers This Week are:** Linda Shannon, Marcia Foulds, Marlene Bellonio, Lorraine Burdge, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Ellen Robert and Treffle Robert, prayers for the family of Winifred Miller, and prayers for the family of Ralph Franco, Sr.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Betsy Gumbart 04/17, Carla Hill 04/17, Lauren Campos 04/22, Larry Ballantyne 04/22.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** Merrilee & George Gladkosky 04/19, Bryant & Sara Munson 04/23, Tony & Cheryl Solecki 04/24.

## Announcements

**NHCC Re-Opening Celebration hosted by the Women's and Men's Fellowship!**

Please sign up at church to attend a Pancake+ Breakfast after our church service on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Sign up on our website: [Northhavenucc.org](http://Northhavenucc.org)

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS\*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/17</b>	6:00 a.m. 9:30	<b>EASTER SUNDAY-</b> Worship on the Green NHCC WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>4/18</b>	9:30 6:45	<b>EASTER MONDAY (OFFICE CLOSED)</b> Music Together (CH) CT Record Club (CH)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4/19</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 9:30 10:30 12:30 p.m. 6:00	<b>Al-Anon (CH)</b> Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) PLP (K) BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>4/20</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> 9:30 10:00 10:30 5:15 5:30 p.m.	<b>WINDOW DEADLINE</b> Music Together (CH) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Music Together (CH) PASTORAL RELATIONS (Zoom) Girl Scout Troop 60071 (CH)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>4/21</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b> 7:00	<b>Garden Club (CH)</b> Chancel Choir
<b>Friday</b>	<b>4/22</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 10:00 10:30	<b>Music Together (CH)</b> FOOD PANTRY OPEN Music Together (CH)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4/23</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> 9:30 10:30	<b>MENS FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST (CH)</b> Music Together (CH) Music Together (CH)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/24</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> 10:30	<b>WORSHIP (In-Person &amp; Live Stream)</b> RE-OPENING PANCAKE BREAKFAST (CH)

\*Small print indicates non-Church function

**Bold print starts new day.**



Descant

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

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, hal - le - lu - jah!

Praise e - ter - nal as God's love; hal - le - lu - jah!

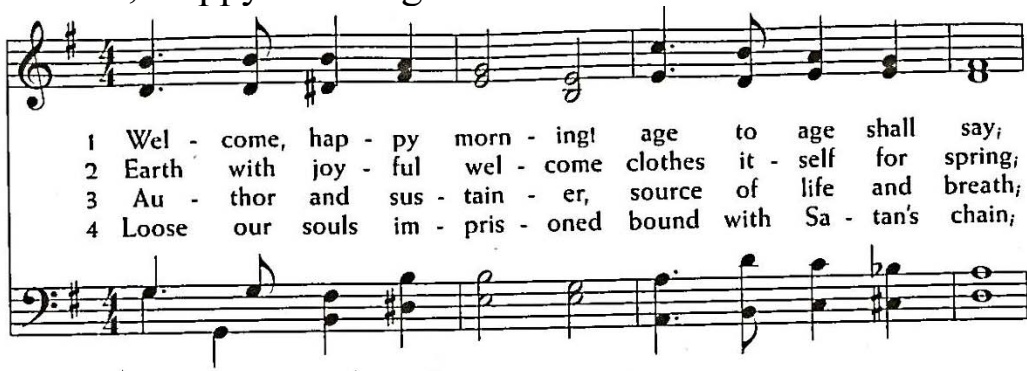
our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,  
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King,  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured;  
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love; hal - le - lu - jah!

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

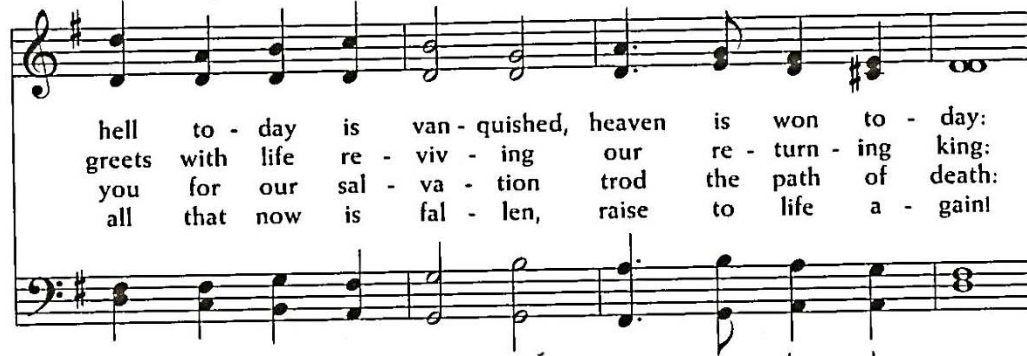
who did once, up - on the cross,  
 who en - dured the cross and grave,  
 now a - bove the sky he's King,  
 praise our God, ye heaven - ly host, hal - le - lu - jah!

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

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. Hal - le - lu - jah!



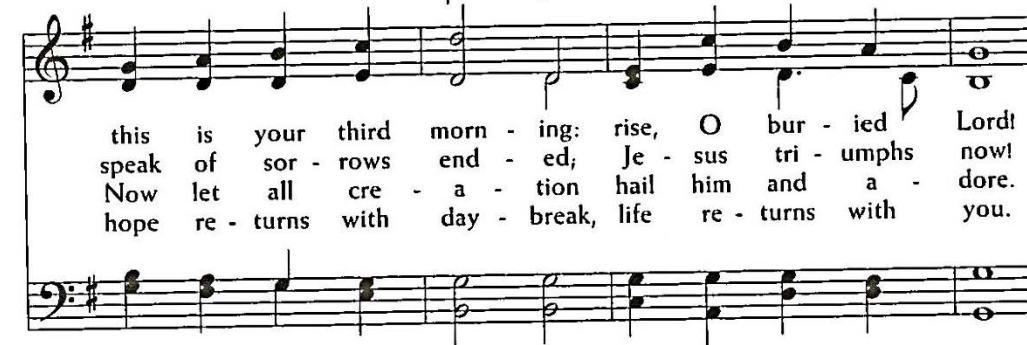
1 Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing! age to age shall say;  
 2 Earth with joy - ful wel - come clothes it - self for spring;  
 3 Au - thor and sus - tain - er, source of life and breath;  
 4 Loose our souls im - pris - oned bound with Sa - tan's chain;



hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day:  
 greets with life re - viv - ing our re - turn - ing king:  
 you for our sal - va - tion trod the path of death:  
 all that now is fal - len, raise to life a - gain!



come then, True and Faith - ful, now ful - fil your word;  
 flowers in ev - ery pas - ture, leaves on ev - ery bough,  
 Je - sus Christ is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!  
 Show your face in bright - ness, shine the whole world through;




this is your third morn - ing: rise, O bur - ied Lord!  
 speak of sor - rows end - ed; Je - sus tri - umphs now!  
 Now let all cre - a - tion hail him and a - dore.  
 hope re - turns with day - break, life re - turns with you.

*Refrain*



Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing! age to age shall say;



hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!



Descant

5 Christ is a-live, and comes to bring good news to

1 Christ is a-live! Let Chris-tians sing. The cross stands  
 2 Christ is a-live! No long-er bound to dis-tant  
 3 In ev-ery in-sult, rift, and war, where col-our,

this and ev-ery age, till earth and sky and

emp-ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
 years in Pal-es-tine, but sav-ing, heal-ing,  
 scorn, or wealth div-ide, Christ suf-fers still, yet

o-cean ring with joy, with jus-tice, love and praise.

prais-es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev-er die.  
 here and now, and touch-ing ev-ery place and time.  
 loves the more, and lives, where e-ven hope has died.

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It begins with a 'Descant' section in 4/4 time, featuring a melodic line in the soprano part and a harmonic accompaniment in the piano. The main hymn text is in 4/4 time and consists of three parts. The first part is a simple melody with a piano accompaniment. The second part is a more complex arrangement with a descant in the soprano part and a piano accompaniment. The third part is a simple melody with a piano accompaniment. The score is written in G major and 4/4 time.

## *Easter Lily Dedications - April 17, 2022*



Carla (James) & Mike Hill,

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

Lorraine Morehouse

In loving memory of my husband  
Clifford & daughters Kathleen Dobbins  
& Patricia Lyman

Jeanne Mecca

In loving memory of Susan Gooley

Joyce Bellonio

In loving memory of Anthony & David  
Bellonio, Mr. & Mrs. Frank L. Prentice  
and Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Allen

Priscilla Bradford

In memory of "Miss Lily" Beumer

Tony & Cheryl Solecki

In loving memory of Joseph & Marion  
Dunn, and Anthony Solecki Sr. &  
Margaret Solecki.

Cheryl Bogert

In loving memory of my parents and  
grand parents.

Linda Lacobelli

In loving memory Anthony Lacobelli,  
Tony Lacobelli, Mr. & Mrs. Frank  
Prentice and  
Mr. & Mrs. Lucien Lacobelli

Jim & Joan Bennett

In loving memory of Jenn Bennett and  
Ethel LeMay

Sandy Carter

In memory of my deceased loved ones

Beth Anderson

In honor of her parents Robert &  
Catherine Anderson and her husband  
Philip DiPeri

Carol Amico and Scott Morrow

In loving memory of Francis & Anthony  
Amico, Robert Amico, and  
Marylou & Robert Morrow

Mabel & Stephen Peterson

In memory of our parents, Grace &  
Donald Peterson, Pollyanne & Robert  
Moen and Mabel's sister Charlotte Liske

Bernie & Elfie Hummel

In loving memory of Bernie and Elfie's  
parents,  
Paul & Irmgard Hummel and Martin &  
Adelheid Dimmlich.

Lillian & Carl Flodquist

In loving memory of David Thomas  
Flodquist.

Dot Pierce

In loving memory of Greg and Stephen  
Pierce

Mary Ellen & Ed Collett

In loving memory of Charles & Barbara  
Collett and Richard Cahill

Susan Guckert

In loving memory of Gary Heffernan and  
Agatha Guckert

Cathy Welch

In memory of my beloved husband Ken

## Church Office Staff:

All the Members, Ministers to the World  
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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.





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