

. IN OUR PRAYERS

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Andy Imhof, son –in-law of Sharon Johnson for pain relief
Janet Rondeau’s nephew, Shirley Mockel, Ruth Gagnon, Tricia Cusack and
Beverly Sliter

Around the Word: Inmates of Modelo De Penitentiary in the Dominican
Republic

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Blooming Grove Reformed Church

We cherish the joyful noises of your children as an integral part of our worship. We embrace the wiggles and curious questions that come along

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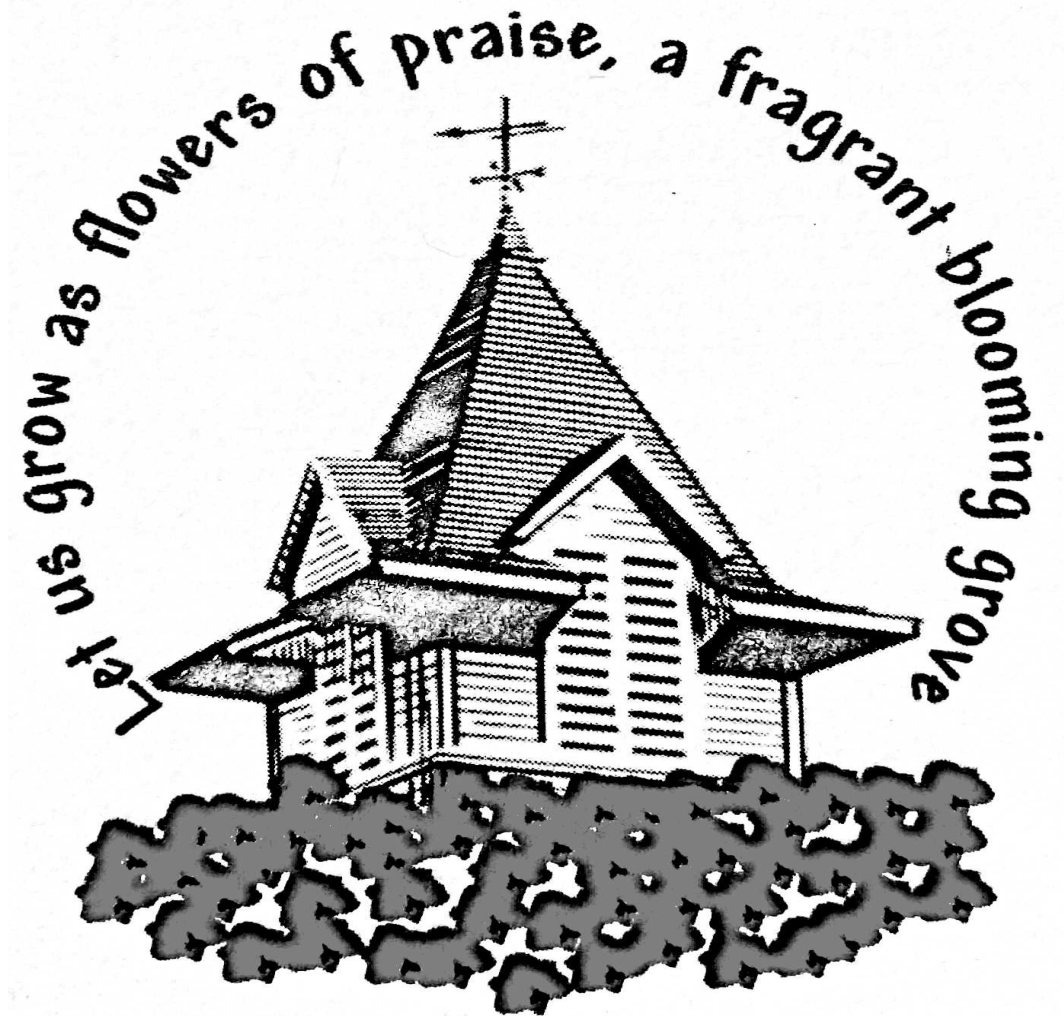
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First Sunday After Easter
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Please rise, in body or spirit; lines in **bold type** are read or sung aloud by the people.

WE REACH UP, ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Votum

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Welcome, beloved, to this joyful day, where laughter and praise have the final say. We gather to celebrate the risen Son, with jokes, smiles, and Holy Humor fun!

We come with giggles and grins, you see, For Christ has won the victory! From locked rooms to doubt's dark night, His love shines through with endless light!

So let's raise our voices, let's shout and sing, For our Savior is alive, and that changes everything!

Hallelujah! Let's worship with cheer, For in Christ's presence, there's no room for fear!

*Hymn **An Easter Carol**

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***God's Greeting**

Call to Praise

Prayer of Praise

Gracious and loving God, we come to You, **With hearts full of joy, laughter, and gratitude. For You have set Your people free, In Your love, we find our jubilee! You turned our doubt into belief, Across the globe, You bring relief. We thank You for Your love so vast, For forgiving our sins and errors past. Help us, Lord, to live in Your light, To share Your joy, both day and night. In Jesus' name, we pray with glee, For in Him, our lives are truly free. Amen!**

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has a '2' above it and a '7' at the end. The lyrics are: 'ci - ples' call: tend your neigh - bors with lov - ing care'. The second staff has a '7' above it and the lyrics: 'in dai - ly work and prayer. God's own'. The third staff has an 'Am' above it and the lyrics: 'grace em - pow - er your spir - it. A - men!'. Chord markings G, D7, Am, and D are placed above the notes. Asterisks are placed above the first note of the first staff and the second note of the second staff.

Announcements:

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt in the Fellowship Hall Following Worship for all children under 10.

Personal Care Items Drive

With the leadership of Sharon Johnson, you are invited to join us in supporting our local homeless community by donating unopened personal care items from hotel bathrooms. Your contributions of travel-sized toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, and toothpaste can make a significant difference in the lives of those in need.

Collecting through April 14th Thank you for your generous support!

Reading Scripture with God (Lectio Divina)

Are you curious or wondering if GOD has a message for you? ALL people are welcome! Bring a friend.

Note:

Revised time for ONLY April 10, 2024 is 1:25 PM to 2:45 PM. We meet in the Ammerman Library of our church building on the same floor as the sanctuary. Please bring paper and pen/pencil. Facilitator: Sharon Johnson. (518-729-3779)

Spring Time Sale at Blooming Grove!

Friday April 12 5-7PM

Saturday April 13 9AM-Noon

Accepting donations of gently used clothing and accessories, housewares including linens, dishware and small kitchen appliances. *No Electronics, books, Christmas items, nor large pieces of furniture.* **Donations may be dropped off in Fellowship Hall starting April 8th through Thursday April 11.**

An Easter Carol

—Sung to: JUNGST — “How great our joy”⁶

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
 Now is the triumph of our King!
 How great our joy! (Great our joy!)
 Joy, joy, joy! (Joy, joy, joy!)
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Up from the grave he rose again,
 Victory over death and sin!
 How great our joy! (Great our joy!)
 Joy, joy, joy! (Joy, joy, joy!)
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Death has been conquered—love has won!
 Praise to God's high-exalted Son!
 How great our joy! (Great our joy!)
 Joy, joy, joy! (Joy, joy, joy!)
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
 Raise hands and hearts—together sing!
 Throughout the earth, in chorus ring!
 How great our joy! (Great our joy!)

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Now Go in Joy

Musical notation for the hymn "Now Go in Joy". The score is in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, and a quarter note C. The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a quarter note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics are: "Now go in joy to spread the Word till all peo-ple have heard: God em-brac-es all! Fol-low, then, the dis-".

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God's Hope for our Living

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Ministry of Music

Passing of the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you
And also with you

WE REACH IN, RECEIVING GOD'S GIFTS IN WORD

Prayer for Illumination

*Gospel Acclamation

Musical notation for the acclamation "Alleluia, alleluia". The score is in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, and a quarter note C. The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a quarter note F#, and a quarter note G. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.".

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*Gospel Lesson

This is the Gospel of our Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

*Gospel Acclamation

Scripture Lesson

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

John 20:19-31

1 John 1:1-2:2

WE REACH OUT, SHARING LOVE AND SERVICE

Call to the Offering

Offertory

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

WE REACH OUT, RECEIVING CHRIST’S SACRAMENT

Meaning of this Holy Meal

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you, my friends so true,

And also with you, in all that you do.

Lift up your hearts, let them soar above,

We lift them up to the Lord, with love.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

For God’s grace and mercy, all abroad

Holy and right it is...We worship and adore You, the Lord of Hosts.

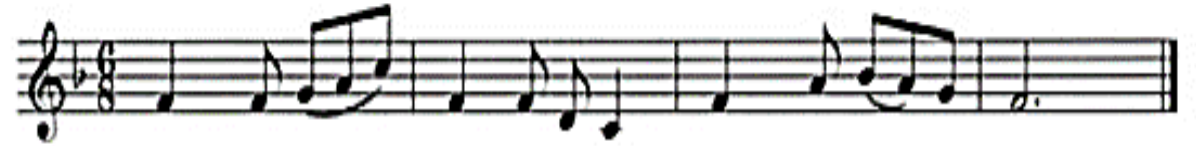


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power— and might,
Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
san - na in the high - est,— ho - san - na in the high-est.

...In joy, we proclaim, as we make this sign,



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

All who love Jesus and desire to know him better are welcome at Christ’s table. We will be coming forward to receive communion. Take the bread and partake and then a cup and partake. If you are unable to come forward, you will be served in your seat.

Post Communion Thanksgiving

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless God’s holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and forget not all God’s benefits.

God gave Jesus Christ for us all, and will give us all things with Christ.

Therefore, shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord from this time forth, forevermore.

Prayers of Intercession and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever Amen.

***Hymn Now Go in Joy**

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***Benediction**

***Postlude**