



Easter Sunday: look UP

When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. — Mark 16:4



March 31, 2024

"Look UP"

Easter

GATHERING UP

Music for Lifting our Spirits

Prelude and Choral Introit

Warm Up and Welcome

We Acknowledge What's Up

Confession/Assurance

**Ever-Living God,
we come with our heads bent down sometimes,
overwhelmed with Good Friday news.**

**Raise us up, lift up our eyes,
so that we might look up and see
the tenacity of life in the midst of death.**

Musical Meditative Moment

Words of Assurance

**In the name of Christ, new life is come!
Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!**

Sung Response

"On Eagle's Wings" 143 UMH

The Peace

**As a people forgiven and freed, we reach out to lift others up,
offering the peace of Christ.**

Peace be with you!

And also with you!

Opening Song

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" 302 UMH

FILLING UP

The Word Uplifts | Acts 10: 34-43 (NT P.121)

What's Up? with Children

Music for Soaring (Anthem)

Message

BUILDING UP

Up to Something Good

Prayers of the People

"Let My Prayers Rise Up"

Let my prayer rise up
like incense before you,
the lifting up of my hands
as an offering to you.

The Prayer Jesus Taught

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.

Uplifting Messages of Support

Offering/Offertory

Doxology: "What R U Up 2 for My Sake?"

What are you up to for my sake?
What are you up to "for the Good?"
Would you come now, follow, join up?

Let us take up, wake up anew,
Let us build up, fill up with you!

Let us lift up
the gifts we raise up.
For the sake of,
for the shape of,
heaven on earth.

Prayer of Dedication

LIVING IT UP

Closing Hymn

"Up From the Grave He Arose" 322 UMH

Blessing for the Journey

Music for Movin' On Up

Special Thanks to:

Chuck Langford, Saxophone

Dave Bergeron, Drums

Worship with Us Again

April 7, Rev. Mary Johnson Preaching

A note to our guests – Thank you for celebrating Easter with us! Your presence created a once in a lifetime worshiping experience. If you would like to learn more about our church, check out our website, amumc.org. To receive our weekly emails, prayer list, or monthly newsletter, scan the QR code below to sign up.

Worship Notes

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SCAN ME



On Eagle's Wings

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D Asus4 A7 D

And God[†] will raise you* up on ea-gle's wings,

Em A7 D D7 G Em A

bear you* on the breath of dawn, make you* to shine like the sun, and

Bm F#m Em7 A7 D

hold you* in the palm of God's[‡] hand.

† or "you"
* or "us"
‡ or "your"

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ON EAGLE'S WINGS

Irr. with Refrain

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

302

1. Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Lives a - gain our glo-rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!
 * 5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Al - le - lu - ia!
 * 6. King of glo - ry, soul of bliss, Al - le - lu - ia!

Earth and heaven in cho - rus say, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise to thee by both be given, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ev - er - last - ing life is this, Al - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like him, like him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thee we greet tri - um - phant now, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thee to know, thy power to prove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where's thy vic - tory, boast-ing grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Hail the Res - ur - rec - tion, thou, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thus to sing, and thus to love, Al - le - lu - ia!

Up from the Grave He Arose

1. Low in the grave he lay, Je - sus my Sav - ior,
 2. Vain - ly they watch his bed, Je - sus my Sav - ior;
 3. Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus my Sav - ior;

wait - ing the com - ing day, Je - sus my Lord!
 vain - ly they seal the dead, Je - sus my Lord!
 he tore the bars a - way, Je - sus my Lord!

Refrain

Up from the grave he a - rose, (he a - rose) with a

might - y tri - umph o'er his foes; (o'er his foes) he a -

rose a vic - tor from the dark do - main, and he

lives for - ev - er, with his saints to reign. He a -

rose! He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

(he a - rose) (he a - rose)



In memory of:

- *Betty Woods from Sharon and Rich Bizier*
- *Jeanne Bizier from Rich and Sharon Bizier*
- *Keri Lynn Bizier from Dad & Sharon*
- *Carol Lunn from Sue and Dave Larson*
- *Betty Larson from Sue and Dave Larson*
- *Margorie Boynes from Paul and Karen Roeber*
- *Lois Roeber from Paul and Karen Roeber*
- *Alice McIntosh from Joyce McIntosh Fox*
- *Elsie Fox from Don Fox*
- *Great Gram from Stacey, Kerri, Ben and Lexi*
- *All those not at our table today from Stacey, Kerri, Ben and Lexi*
- *David and Patricia Gregory from LeeAnn Cotta*
- *Tom and Helen O'Donnell from Jane O'Donnell and Sophia Ogui*

In memory of:

**Thomas O'Donnell Jr. from Jane O'Donnell and Sophia Ogni*

**Barbara & Bruce Shaw with Love from Sarah & Glen Gillespie*

**Dick Gillespie with Love from Glen and Sarah Gillespie*

**Tom Conboy with Love from Sarah and Glen Gillespie*

**Jane Merrick Shaw with Love from Sarah and Glen Gillespie*

**George & Rita Belisle Love Al and Pauline Belisle*

**Victor & Eleanor Horton Love Al and Pauline Belisle*

**Cecile Capellanio from Sandy and David Raymond*

**Natalino Capellanio from Sandy and David Raymond*

**Thomas, Mary and Dorothy Bailey from your Loving Daughter.*

**Margery and Dany Bailey from your Loving Sister*

**Our parents from Ron and Regina Blais*

**Leslie and Ruth Johnson from Keith and DeAnne Johnson*

**Bert Lobberegt and Betty Watson from Keith and DeAnne Johnson*

**Grandmother Doris Sylvia from Cindy Mauch*

**Frank Mlyniec Jr. from Cindy Mauch*

In Honor of:

**My choir friends: Sue Therien*

**Ruthanne Emond with love from Glenn and Sarah Gillespie*

Why am I here?

You have been hearing this question answered over the past few weeks. My initial reason is not all that different from what others have said. When I was looking for a church to bring my young family to, over thirty years ago, I first went to a Congregational church because that was the denomination I was brought up in. I visited the local church several times over the course of a year and never once felt as though I found the place that I wanted to be a part of. Why? Because I never felt welcomed. It was my mom who suggested I try visiting other churches in the area, even if it was not a congregational church. My first thought was that 'pretty Methodist church' on Nate Whipple Highway. It reminded me of the church I grew up in. Every interaction I had with the people of AMUMC was warm, friendly, and welcoming, beginning with my initial phone call to the church secretary, to the lovely women in the toddler room, to the usher who made sure to seat me with a friendly couple, and most importantly to the wonderful congregation who made my daughter and I feel welcomed and included when we walked through the doors of Cargill Hall. I had found my church.

So why am I still here?

The answer simply is, that we are still that wonderful church we were 30 years ago. So why do I feel it is so important that we be a reconciling church? I want every person who enters the doors of our amazing church to feel the way I did so many years ago. In my role as Christian Education Chair, and as a church school teacher, I have had the opportunity to meet most of the wonderful families that have come looking for a church of their own. One of the most memorable interactions I had was with the mom of a new student. When she came to pick up her child, she asked me if her child told me that she has two moms. I said, “No she didn’t.” She then immediately followed up with, “Will that be a problem?” I then responded with a resounding “No, not at all!” It was in that moment that I realized that no matter how warm and friendly we are when new people walk through our doors, they really don’t know “how welcome” they are. It made me sad that this wonderful mom had to ask if she and her child would be welcome at this church because someone may not be comfortable with what may be thought of as their unconventional family. It was really at this moment that I thought, wow, we really need to do more so the LGBTQ+ community knows before they walk through our doors, that they are truly welcome in every sense of the word.

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