

**The Homer Congregational
United Church of Christ**

April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday

10:30 a.m. Worship

Easter



Transformation

*Gathered on the Green in 1801 -
Still being Transformed while Doing God's Mission*

Homer Congregational United Church of Christ
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Serving us in ministry today:

Joanne Cincotta ~ Deacon of the Month

Russ, Terry and Jenelle Pedersen,
Bry Meyka ~ ushers/greeters

*Following the service
we invite you to coffee hour,
provided by our Deacons and
hosted by Paula Harrington.*

Attendance April 14: 100

Service of Worship

For Quiet Meditation

Resurrection is not the resuscitation of a body;
it is the beginning of the transformation of
the world.

~ Patriarch Athenagoras

WE GATHER

**those who are able, please stand*

Early in the morning on the first day of the week...

Prelude Lift High the Cross Callahan
Chimes

Call to Worship

One: Christ is risen!

Many: Christ is risen, indeed!

One: The Chrysalis is open!

Many: The cycle to new life is complete.

One: A butterfly has emerged.

**Many: Today we are set free by the transformational
love of God.**

*Hymn Christ Arose! #224

GOD'S WORD BOTH ANCIENT AND NEW

Children's Time

Anthem Come, Christians Join to Sing

Scripture John 20:11-18

Sermon

Transformed!

OUR RESPONSE

*Hymn

In the Garden (vs. 1 & 2)

#227

Preparing to Pray

**When I pray, I feel my heart go deeper,
my heart go deeper into my God. (repeat)
Right here, right now. Right where I am, I pray.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offering

Invitation to Give

Offertory Now the Green Blade Rises Burkhardt

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, you heavenly host.
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.**

*Prayer of Dedication

**Receive our gifts of praise and treasure, Holy One.
May our gifts bring hope to the ones who are most in
need of your transformational love. Amen.**

BLESSING

Announcements

*Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today (vs. 1-3) #216

*If you would like to join the choir in singing Handel's
Hallelujah Chorus, make your way to the choir loft
during the last hymn.*

*Benediction & Hallelujah!

*Postlude Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain Biehl

Join us again next week, as we welcome
The Rev. Dr. Marsha & Michelle Williams.
Rev. Dr. Williams' sermon is entitled
Life on the Other Side of Easter.
Marsha & Michelle will offer special music.
Trust us...this will be awesome!

Our Easter flowers are given

by

in honor of

Jan Jeffers

Jake & Betsy Schühle

The Pedersen Family

Emery & Evianna Pedersen

and by

in memory of

Kathy Alvord

David Alvord

Steve & Bev Berry

Loved ones

Jean Cadwallader
Carol Costell Corbin

William P. Cadwallader, Jr.
John Costell & Helen Blazek

Ingrid Fox & Family

Richard Fox, Mr. & Mrs. Charles
Goodwin, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Fox, and Carl Goodwin

Darci & Carrie Gumaer

Larry V. Gumaer

Dale Halstead &
Sylvia Hammond

Jennie Halstead &
Fred Hammond

The Harrington Family

Rev. Paul & Ruth Downing,
Mary McMillen, Mary Jane Lathrop

Gwen Hayne

Loved ones

Andrea Herzog &
Heather O'Hara

Howard Akers family &
Vincent Herzog family

Terry Howell & Quinn,
Asa, & Asher Caldwell

Beloved ancestors

Jan Jeffers

Peter Jeffers

The Pedersen Family

Edna & Sheldon Baldwin, Richard &
Elizabeth Pedersen, Sally Churchill, Rosemary Cross,
Alyssa Churchill, Lori Scarpulla

Lorene Putnam

Loved ones

Sherri & Bill Masterson

Loved ones

Phyllis & Les Wainman

Wendell & Dorothy Bush

Anne Wingard

Marjorie & Ralph Frasier

This week:

Monday

4:45 Disciple I Bible Study

5:00 Disciple II Bible Study

IN THE FALL WE WILL RESUME WITH THE NEW TESTAMENT

Tuesday

5:00 Centering Prayer

Wednesday

7:00 Choir Practice

COMING UP:

Sunday, April 28

9:30 Faith Formation for all ages

10:30 Worship

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Marsha Williams

Special Music: Marsha & Michelle Williams

12:00 Outreach Team meets

2:00 Susquehanna Association Meeting

3:00 **Easter Choir Festival**

featuring the choirs from:

Christ Community Church

Greene Congregational UCC

Homer Congregational UCC

and a combined choir representing

Groton Community, Groton City & McLean

Welcome friends!

If you have any questions before the service, please see one of our Greeters. After the service, join us for refreshments in the room behind the sanctuary that we call the Russell Fellowship Room.

We celebrate children of all ages. After the Children's Time, children in grade 1 and below may head to our nursery, where we provide trained caregivers. A "busy bag" is available for the older siblings.

Individual listening headsets are available to provide hearing assistance to anyone in need. Ask our Greeters for help.

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Gary Harrington, Sexton

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