

**The Homer Congregational
United Church of Christ**

April 28, 2019

2nd Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m. Worship

*Continuing
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
Jim & Kathy McKenna, Lori & Kurt Schmidt ~ Ushers
Cindy Stout ~ Nursery
Marlene Loomis & Lorene Putnam ~ Coffee Hour

Flowers are given today by Darci & Carrie Gumaer
in loving memory of Larry Gumaer
and in honor of Carolene Gumaer

*Welcome to
The Rev. Dr. Marsha & Michelle Williams.
We are delighted that you are here!*

TODAY

Noon Outreach Committee Meeting

2:00 Susquehanna Association Meeting
*Our delegates include our pastors and Mary Barhite,
Belinda Burtson & Dorothy Hopkins*

3:00 **Easter Choir Festival**

Attendance April 21: 167

Service of Worship

For Quiet Meditation

"We do not need magic to transform our world.
We carry all of the power we need
inside ourselves already."
~ J.K. Rowling

WE GATHER

**those who are able, please stand*

Welcome

Prelude Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Willan
Chimes

Call to Worship

One: Brothers and sisters.

If you lift your net and it is empty, Come here!

All: We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

One: If you open your eyes

but do not recognize the Holy One, Come here!

All: We'll find the Risen Christ in all Creation.

One: If your life is filled with mourning, Come here!

All: Christ is leading a dance of joy.

One: Come here, sisters and brothers!

All: To give blessing and honor and glory to God!

*Hymn Peter Said, "I'm Going Fishing" Gillette
sung to "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Peter said, "I'm going fishing,"
so his friends went out with him.

Through the night, they labored, watching,
hauling empty nets back in.
In the grey of early morning,
Jesus, you came walking by.
From the beach you called a greeting,
“Cast out on the other side!”

Soon their nets were filled to brimming;
someone cried, "It is the Lord!"
Jumping in, he started swimming;
Christ, you met him on the shore.
Guiding them to better waters,
eating fish, and sharing bread —
You showed Peter and the others:
you were risen from the dead!

GOD’S WORD BOTH ANCIENT AND NEW

Children’s Time

Anthem	The Prayer	Foster/Sager
Scripture	John 21:1-8	
Sermon	Life on the Other Side of Easter!	

OUR RESPONSE

Silence is kept

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)

Special Music The Power of Your Love Bullock

Offering
Invitation to Give

Offertory Good Christian Friends, Rejoice 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

Thank you, God, for the gifts of your people. Grant that this offering, given in thanksgiving for all the blessings you have given us, will transform empty hearts through the power of love. Amen.

BLESSING

Announcements

*Hymn Peter Said, "I'm Going Fishing" Gillette
sung to "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Risen Christ, you send us fishing!
God's great sea is everywhere.
You have guided us in mission,
You have given love to share.
Through the years, our church has heard you,
We have answered your great call:
"Cast your nets where I have told you.
Bring my word of love to all!"

Lord, be with our congregation;
by your spirit, send us forth!
May we care for your creation;
may we work for peace on earth.
In our worship, in our giving,
in our serving those in need,
May we know, Lord; you are living,
guiding us in ministry.

*Benediction

*Postlude

Come, You Faithful

Biery

This week:

Tuesday

- 5:00 Centering Prayer
- 6:00 Reduce the Risk Training

Wednesday

- 2:00 Ladies Literary Guild
- 6:00 Worship and Music
- 7:00 Choir Practice

Friday

- 6:30 Movie Showing: "The Ten Commandments"
Free popcorn! All are welcome!

Saturday

- 10 a.m. Faith Formation Teacher/Aide Meeting

COMING UP:

Sunday, May 5

- 9:30 Faith Formation for all ages
- 10:30 Worship with Communion

- noon Faith Formation Committee Meeting

- 6:00 Youth Group (in Homer)

Wednesday, May 8

- 5:30 The Mystics Group begins again.
3 Lil' Birds
Now is a perfect time to join!

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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