

Orangewood Presbyterian Church

May 1, 2022

3rd Sunday of Easter



A river of God's love flowing into the dry places of our communities

- **Jesus Christ is already at work in our communities; we seek to join that work.**
- **Our communities are wherever God plants us: Monday through Saturday—as well as Sunday.**
- **We create servant relationships with our communities, to become better disciples of Jesus Christ.**

On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.

Ezekiel 47:12

Welcome to Orangewood! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. At the conclusion of the service, Please visit the welcome table on the patio so that we might know more about you. We also have a gift for you. There is fellowship on the patio where you can also learn more about church activities.

An enlarged copy of the hymns and a system for the hearing impaired are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

The Nursery is open for children through age 5.

Communion note

The Presbyterian Church practices open communion, and all who know Jesus Christ are welcome at the table regardless of age, faith background, or frequency of church attendance. Communion wafers are available upon request for those with allergies to gluten, soy, dairy, eggs, corn, and nuts. They are located in the back of the church. You can ask an Usher for assistance.

The Gathering

Congregation responsively reads lines in bold text
*All who are able, please stand.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Preparation for Worship

Day of Arising

Anne Krentz Organ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come to hear the Word.

People: Come to do the Word.

Leader: Come to experience Comfort.

People: Come to experience Challenge.

Leader: Come to find Cost.

People: Come to find Joy.

Leader: Come to find Humanity.

People: Come to find Community.

Leader: Come to find Church.

People: Come to find God.

*Hymn #252

Day of Arising

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,
we come before you today
knowing that we often fall short of your call
to love one another well.**

**We allow ourselves to be blinded
by wealth and power.**

**We ignore those around us
who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection.**

**We tune out the cries of the poor
and those on the edges of our communities.**

**Help us to see your great generosity,
hear your word of mercy,
and feel your great love
for all who need your redemptive grace.**

**Strengthen us to reach out in service
to those who are in need.**

**Make us aware of those outside our own communities,
that we may see them as your precious children
and serve them in humility and joy.**

**May we continue to grow in grace
as we learn how to serve you
in the name of the great Servant,
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(moment of silence)

Leader: Lord, hear our prayer.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria (tune of *Ode to Joy*)

**Glory be to God in Heaven! Peace, good will to all the earth .
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
We exalt You; we adore You, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before You; Here on earth our songs we raise.**

**Glory be to Christ forever! Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, You have come from heav'n above.
On the cross You died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer: restore, forgive us; in Your promise firm we stand.**

**Holy One now we acclaim You: Lord alone, to You we call;
Holy One in faith we name You; God most high, yet near to all.
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!**

*Passing the Peace

"The peace of Christ be with you . . . **And also with you.**"

God's Word

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 30

"The Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**"

*Song

10,000 Reasons

Second Reading

James 2:14-26

"The Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**"

Sermon

What Good Is It?!
The Rev. Kenneth G. Page

Our Response to God's Word

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Choir Anthem

God's Sign and Seal

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
Holy, Holy, Holy #552
Christ Has Died #553

Lord's Prayer (unison)

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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Lamb of God #555

Song

Behold the Lamb

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Response

*Hymn #238

Thine is the Glory

*Benediction

*Postlude

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ken Page	Preacher
Chuck Sedgwick	Organist
Brady Putzke	Guitar & Vocals
Sammi Burkhart	Children's Message
Cindy Baker	Liturgist
Brent Upson	Greeter
Phebe Packer	Usher

ORANGEWOOD STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. Kenneth G. Page
Director of Music	Dr. Charles N. Sedgwick
Band Leader	Brady Putzke
Director of Children & Youth	Samantha Burkhart
Office & Facilities Manager	Pam White
Set-Up Assistant	Addison Case