COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY







3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 AM

APRIL 23, 2023

PRELUDE The Heavens Declare Marcello

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott Scioli

CHORAL INTROIT Our God Reigns Leonard E. Smith, Jr.

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 34:1-10

<u>Leader</u>: I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

People: I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Leader: Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

<u>People:</u> I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

Leader: Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.

<u>People:</u> This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.

Leader: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

People: Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

Leader: Fear the LORD, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing.

<u>People:</u> The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

HYMN Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE Luke 24: 13-35

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" "What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him;

but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus." He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and

"Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Because He Lives

Gaither and Shrader

SERMON

"When You Feel Lost"

Rev. Seth Kajang

HYMN

How Sure the Scripture Are

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

HYMN O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

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CHORAL BENEDICTION

Christ is Risen

Lloyd Larson

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

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MINISTERS: Karen Schwartz and Bonnie Cain (Ushers), Barbara Seither (Refreshments), Marge Jeffries (Flower Delivery)

WE THANK: Rev. Seth Kajang for leading us in worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. BRUNCH

Covenant will hold brunch following the worship service on Sunday May 21. Please place your name on the signup sheet in the narthex.

2. PIANO BENEFIT CONCERT

Join Music Directors Greg DiBona and Diana Dohrmann for a piano concert! Piano duets and solos will be presented from composers, John Williams, Scott Joplin, Leonard Bernstein, Claude Debussy and many more. The concert will be on Sunday, April 30 at 3PM located at Calvary Presbyterian Church. All proceeds will assist Music Departments at both Covenant and Calvary.

- **3. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Bible study is located in the Lounge on Mondays at 11 AM. The group will be studying the book of Luke. We hope to see you there!
- **4. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED!** Members are invited to participate in our services. Please contact Bonnie Cain or Greg DiBona if you are interested in reading scripture or leading our worship services. We are also in need of more volunteers to operate the camera and soundboard. Please contact the church office if you are interested.
- **5. STEWARDSHIP:** Total Income for 4/16: \$1356.76, Envelope Giving: \$1187.00, Deacons Fund: \$50.00. Capital Improvement Fund: \$50.00, One Great Hour: \$20.00.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES

Women's Bible Study – Mondays, 11:00 AM, Lounge
Choir Rehearsal – Sundays, 11:00 AM
Bell Rehearsal – Mondays, 7:00 PM
Christian Education (Bonnie Cain and Amanda Rosica) – as needed
Deacons – 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) – 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2nd Monday, 7:00 PM
Men's Breakfast -Tuesdays, 7:00 AM
Membership (Nancy Perritt) – as needed
Mission (Dave Sutton) – as needed
Music and Worship (Leslie Todd) – 2nd Wednesday, 1:15 PM
Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson

Session – 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM





Gregory DiBona and Diana Dohrmann
Four Hands Piano
Benefit Concert:

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Music of Mozart, Bernstein, Debussy, Joplin, and John Williams. 3:00 PM

All proceeds will assist in funding Covenant and Calvary's Music Department.



Calvary Presbyterian Church 300 Fourth Street Riverton, NJ 08077

PRAYER LIST

Thankful prayers to Rev. Jeff Marthins for an informative sermon, and to Scott for conducting the service last week.

Congratulations to B. Ann and Dave DuBois celebrating their 66th wedding anniversary this week.

Prayers that they enjoy their special day.

Prayers for all who are ill and for the caregivers who tend to the sick. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

Please pray for our Covenant families and friends:

Nancy Perritt - recovery from COVID

Betty Graham - healing and return of strength and improved health

Mary Lou Newborg - relief from severe back pain and good results when she has surgery on May 2nd Cynthia Joffe - healing from knee replacement and relief from discomfort and return of strength

Betty Herskovitz's friend, Elaine's husband, Bill, hospitalized with brain illness

Emily Busby - continued good care in nursing facility

Etna Kessler - continued good care in memory care facility

Peggie Massey - keeping well and active in her Texas home

Karen Schwartz - prayers for her neighbor's grandson, Colin, who has major health issues

Marilyn and Gene Davidoff - safety for Marilyn if she is taking her walks and improved health for Eugene

Cancer patients:

Terri Bell - longtime Covenant member and cancer patient - able to rest comfortably and strength for Ken as he takes care of her

Dawn Mozzi - good results from treatment

Joan's friend, Mary - good results from treatment

Mary Lou's friends - Christopher, Sherry, Marcelle, Pat and Dave - good care as they receive treatment

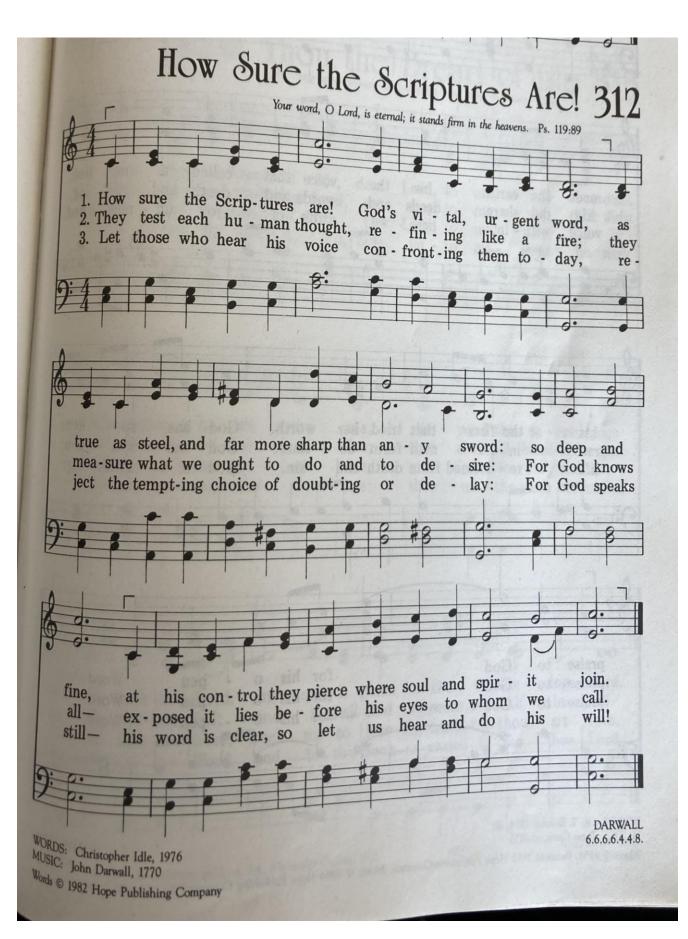
Pastor Kiner - very good care and support from his congregation as he is treated for cancer and strength for his wife

Bohdonna - Mandy Rosica's friend - diagnosed with breast cancer

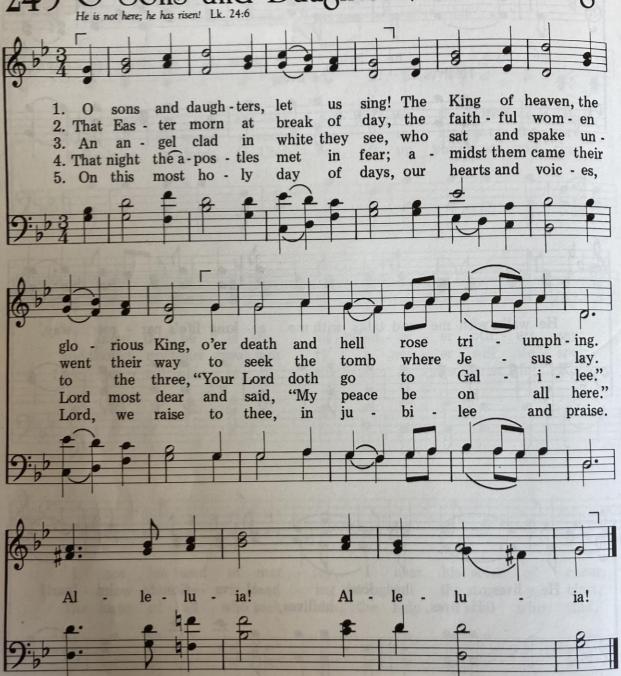
Rose - Molly Day's friend - diagnosed with breast cancer

Come, Christians, Join to Sing PRAISE TO CHRIST Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord. Ps. 95:1 1. Come, Chris-tians, join sing 2. Come, lift your hearts on Al - le - lu - ia! men! high, Al - le - lu - ia! 3. Praise yet our Christ a men! gain, Al - le - lu - ia! men! praise to loud Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! men! let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! men! life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! men! be - fore his throne re - joice; all, with heart and voice, He our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend; On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good-ness we'll Al - le - lu - ia! gra-cious choice: men! praise is his Al - le - lu - ia! A end: men! love shall nev - er his "Al - le - lu - ia! men!" for - ev - er - more, sing WORDS: Christian H. Bateman, 1843 MADRID 6.6.6.6.D.

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- 6. When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord, he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7. "My pierc-ed side, O Thomas, see; my hands, my feet, I show to thee; not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 8. No longer Thomas then denied, he saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 9. How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been,