# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### **CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY**







EASTER SUNDAY 10:00 AM APRIL 9, 2023

**PRELUDE** 

#### **BELL CONCERT**

Easter Proclamation
The Day of Resurrection
The Empty Tomb
Narration - Mike Martin
Easter Alleluia
Trumpet - Andrew Garonzik
Crown Him Lord of All

Lloyd Larson Brenda E. Austin John A. Behnke

Susan T. Nelson

Lloyd Larson

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chuck Rosica

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

Our God Reigns

Leonard E. Smith, Jr.

#### LITANY FOR EASTER

<u>Leader:</u> O Christ, after your resurrection you appeared to your disciples; you breathed on them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, You gave joy and exultation to the whole creation. Through your victory, we pray to you:

### **People:** Hear us, Lord of glory.

<u>Leader:</u> O Christ, after your resurrection you sent out your disciples to teach all nations and to baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; you promised to be with them and us until the end of the world. Through your victory, we pray to you:

# People: Hear us, Lord of glory.

<u>Leader:</u> O Christ, through your resurrection you lifted us up, and filled us with rejoicing. Through your salvation you enrich us with your gifts. Renew our lives and fill our hearts with joy. Through your victory, we pray to you:

# People: Hear us, Lord of glory.

<u>Leader:</u> O Christ, you are glorified by angels in heaven, and worshiped on earth. On the glorious feast of your resurrection, we pray to you:

# People: Hear us, Lord of glory.

<u>Leader:</u> Save us, O Christ our Lord, in your goodness, extend your mercy to your people who await the resurrection, and have mercy on us.

# People: Hear us, Lord of glory.

<u>Leader:</u> O merciful God, you raised your beloved Son, and in your love you established him as head of your church, and ruler of the universe. By your goodness we pray:

People: Hear us, Lord of glory.

#### **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(Children can now go to Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached—how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives

CHORAL ANTHEM Because He Lives Gaither and Shrader

forgiveness of sins through his name."

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:1-10

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee: there: they will see me."

CHORAL ANTHEM Crown Him Lord This Easter Day Price and Besig

Trumpet - Andrew Garonzik

SERMON "God Shows No Partiality" Rev. Nasir

HYMN Christ Arose! #235

#### 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.

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** 

Christ is Risen

Lloyd Larson

POSTLUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello

MINISTERS: Scott and Donna Scioli (Ushers), Mary Lou Newborg (Refreshments), Joan Samph (Flower Delivery)

<u>THE CHANCEL FLOWERS</u> presented to the Glory of God by Diane Steel in loving memory of her mother, Marcia Jones, on the first anniversary of her passing.





# **EASTER LILIES GIVEN BY THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES**

The Cain Family in loving memory of Nana, Lois Wieder
Carol Ortlip in gratitude for good family members and friends
Frank Reed in loving memory of his parents, Dorothy and Earle Harder and Robert Reed
Cynthia Joffe in loving memory of loved ones
Diane Steel in loving memory of her husband, Bob
Skip and Marge Jeffries in loving memory of their parents, Ruth and Lawrence Schweizer and Harry
and Alice Jeffries

The Rosica Family – Easter Blessings to our Covenant Family
Betty Herskovitz in loving memory of Seymour Herskovitz and Warren Nagel, Jr.
Treva Grunigen in gratitude for friends and family
Karen Schwartz in gratitude for her church family

The DiBona Family in loving memory of Angela and Nicholas Testa, and Anthony DiBona, Sr. David Landgraf to the Glory of God and sacrifice of his Son.

Mrs. Cathie Reinhard in memory of her kind and loving step-daughter, Carol Atzert.

Lauren Rosica in loving memory of her mother, Carol Atzert.

The Michael Martin Family in memory of Mickey and Bridie Martin
The Michael Martin Family in memory of Walter Cowan

Joy Connolly in loving memory for her son, Darren Connolly and her granddaughter Brittney Connolly.

Joy Connolly in loving memory of her husband Charles Connolly (Willy).

Julia and Craig Slater in gratitude of our church volunteers who work tirelessly to keep us on the path to new leadership.

Steve Peak and Family in loving memory of their parents Peg and Frank. Paul and Barbara VanTassel in loving memory of their parents.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### 1. ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by One Great Hour is Sharing Offering by making an online gift anytime throughout the year. <a href="Presbyterian Special Offerings">Presbyterian Special Offerings</a> - One Great Hour of Sharing (pcusa.org) Please make checks payable to Covenant Presbyterian Church.

#### 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. UPDATES!** Covenant is making some exciting updates! We are now able to accept credit card payments for our events (such as tickets for the tea or Breakfast with Santa!). Covenant will need to download the Square app onto a host piece of hardware, such as an iPhone or iPad. The Square Reader can work with any iPhone 7 or more recent phones or with iPad if operating systems have been updated. If you have an iPhone or iPad (7 or newer) that you would to donate to the church to help us support this update, we would be most grateful. Please contact Mandy Rosica or Chris Todd.
- **4. 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!
- **5. 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.
- **6. STEWARDSHIP:** Total Income for 3/26: \$1602.50, Envelope Giving: \$1600.00, Deacons Fund: \$80.00. Total Income for 4/2: \$4471.45, Envelope Giving: \$3799.00, Deacons Fund: \$110.00, Capital Improvements Fund: \$25.00, One Great Hour of Sharing: \$170.00.

#### **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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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) – Sunday, April 16, after worship
Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson
Session – 4<sup>th</sup> 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 and joyful prayers to all who participated in the wonderful Palm Sunday worship service last week.

We continue to pray for peace in our communities, country and world. Please keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers.



Please pray for our Covenant families and friends:



Betty Graham - she is in the hospital being treated for pneumonia and will remain there for several more days. Prayers for healing and return of strength.

Cynthia Joffe - successful knee replacement surgery.

Karen Schwartz - good results when she has cataract surgery on her other eye

Colin - 11-year-old with health issues - prayers for healing

Nancy and Chuck Perritt - traveling overseas this week - prayers for safe and enjoyable travel

Emily Busby - good care at nursing facility

Etna Kessler - good care at memory care facility

Dave and B.Ann DuBois - health concerns

Peggie Massey - keeping well and active at her home in Texas

Florence Anderson - health concerns - very good care

Marilyn And Eugene Davidoff - keeping Marilyn safe and good care for Eugene at nursing facility

Cancer patients - Terri Bell - able to rest comfortably and strength for Ken as he takes care of her

Dawn Mozzi - good results from treatment

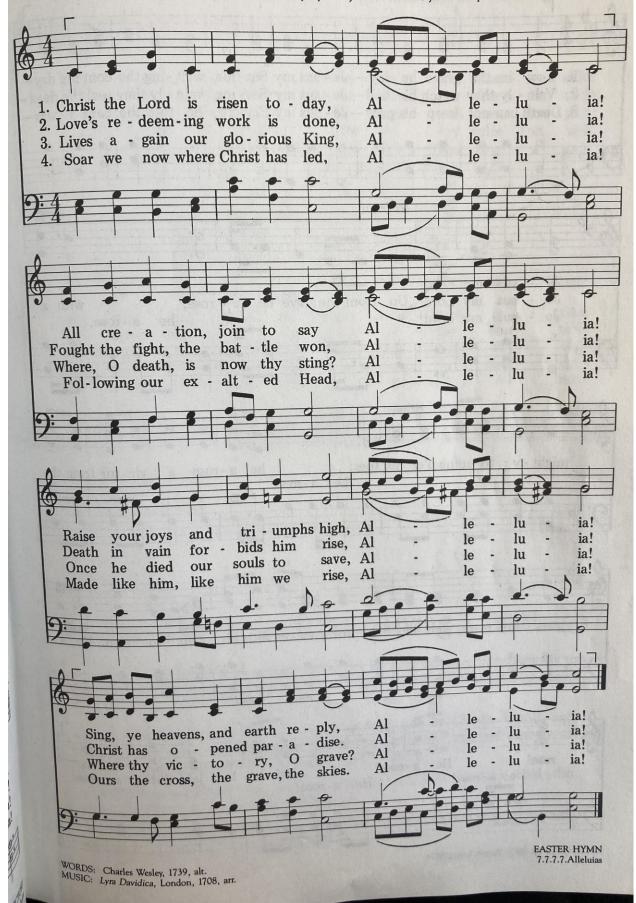
Joan's friend, Mary - good results from treatment

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

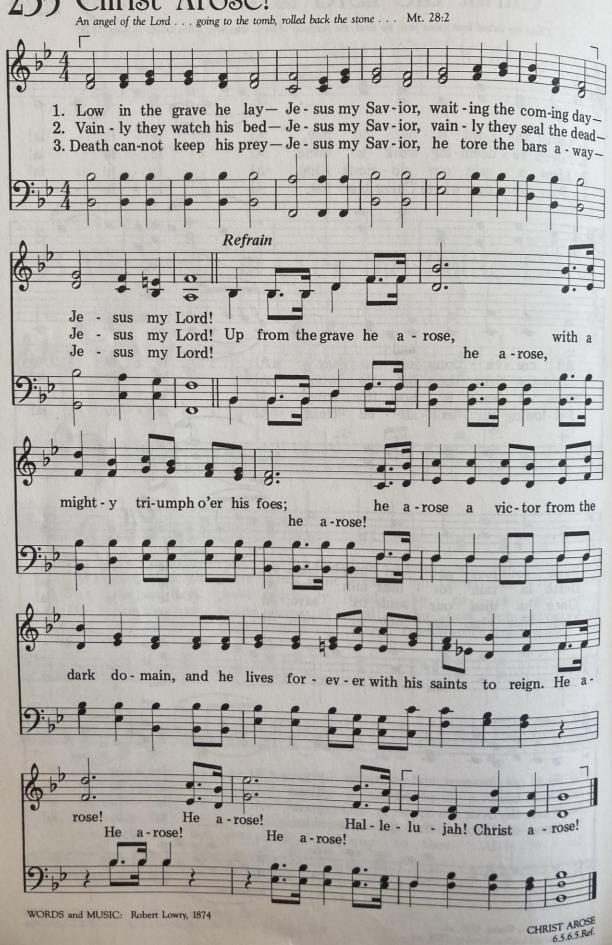
Pastor Kiner - good care and strength for his wife

# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today 234

Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 1 Cor. 15:20



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# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today 250

