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Parking lot worship for

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Worship Leader: Rev. Roy Rogers

Organist: Polly Jeanty

Thanks for attending our drive-in worship service. Please remember the guidelines below:

- The church will be open for restroom use only.
- The rules for social distancing remain in effect. Stay a minimum of 6 feet from each other and wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose.
- Scrip will be available for purchase before and after worship. We ask that when purchasing scrip cards that only one person be at the scrip table at a time.

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,

**But we see him in the lives
of those transformed by grace.**

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**But we have seen him in the faces
of everyone whose love encourages us.**

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

But we have been called to bring healing to the scarred of the world.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)

**This morning we pray for people here who are filled with doubts,
who wonder whether you exist and whether you are listening to our prayers,
who wonder what this whole community is about.**

**We pray for people who doubt the purpose of life,
who wonder whether to end it all,
who face feelings of meaningless and despair.**

**Even when we have that sinking feeling,
give us the wisdom to turn to you.**

Lord we want to believe, help our unbelief!

**Give us faith, small as a mustard seed,
so that we can be your faithful people,
believing in your power to save,
believing in your power to reign supreme,
believing that we can share this good news
with everyone we meet.**

We ask all this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

~ written by Carol Penner, and posted on her Leading in Worship blog.
<http://carolpenner.typepad.com/>

SONG #346

"Give Me Jesus"

READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 20:24-30

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

SERMON "Believing is Seeing"

SONG #361 "My Faith Looks up to Thee"

PASTORAL PRAYER... 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.

BENEDICTION (Based on Romans 8:29-31)

POSTLUDE

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Those in our thoughts and prayers:

Joys:

Families who have lost loved ones:

Margaret Erdmann (sister of Jeanette Wriedt)
Larry Madson

Those struggling with health issues:

Tom Brickbauer	Julia
Cassie Jeanty	Karen Schlegel
Amy Wempner	Jane Markelz
Warren Fidlin	Dale Horneck
Macullen Schnell	Olivia Marie
Dan Wempner	Jessica Horneck
Ross Westphalen	

Those unable to worship with us:

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer, Carol Meiselwitz,

Other concerns:

Recent victims of gun violence

People of Myanmar

Division in the U.S.

Racial Justice and equality in our country

Health Care workers

Those whose businesses are struggling

Those who are out of work

People who live in places where violence prevails.

BETHLEHEM ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Plan a visit to one of our homebound members! Assisted living facilities are taking visitors again!

Merlin and Doris Mae Ninmer are at Field of Dreams in Kiel (286-6189) Call to arrange a visit.

Carol Meiselwitz is at The Waterford in Plymouth. Monday-Friday by appointment only. (920-892-4635)

2021 Bethlehem UCC Consistory Members

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This Week at Bethlehem:

Today, Sunday 4/18: 9:30a Drive-In worship; *Happy Birthday Abby Vogel!*

Monday 4/19: *Happy Birthday Dominick Sheets!*

Tuesday 4/20:

Wednesday 4/21: *Happy Anniversary Mike & Sarah Ninmer!*

Thursday 4/22: 6:30pm Confirmation Class; *Happy Birthday Amy Wempner*

Friday 4/23: *Happy Birthday Kaye Radder!*

Saturday 4/24:

Sunday 4/25: 9:30a Drive-In worship w/ Confirmation;

Pantry item: Bottle of Hand soap, Dish soap or Shampoo