

April 19, 2020 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Opening Song “In Our Homes We Meet to Worship” Huff/Kahn

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Peace be with you, in the name of Jesus Christ, who has conquered death and shown us how to live.

Congregation: We need the gift of peace for our harried days; and we need it for our troubled world.

Liturgist: God gives us counsel and instruction and is always available at our right hand.

Congregation: Our hearts are glad and our souls rejoice; we shall not be moved.

Liturgist: In hope and confidence we come to praise God for the heritage and opportunity given to us.

Congregation: We are full of gladness in the presence of Christ, whose ways we seek to follow.

Hymn “In the Garden” #237 New Century Hymnal

Confession of Sin

O God, we want the world to be different, but we resist changes in our own lives. We want you to reign in our midst, but we want you to do it our way. We want to live by faith, but we are ruled by our doubts. We are losing hope during this COVID-19 isolation and are fearful of what is to come. Please be with us during this time as we yearn for the new life Christ offers. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

Lesson from the Acts of the Apostles – Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Children’s Sermon

Hymn of Praise “Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day” #241 New Century Hymnal

Epistle Lesson – 1 Peter 1:3-9

Prayer of Intercession

Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Gospel Lesson – John 20:19-31

Sermon

Hymn "Yours Is the Glory, Resurrected One!" #253 New Century Hymnal

Benediction

Congregational Response "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" (v.2) #77 New Century Hymnal

Announcements

*The WRPQ radio broadcast today over our 8am worship hour is being sponsored by Steve and Marcy Thurwachter in loving memory of Shirley Moely and the recognition of her birthday on April 16.

*There are many resources to be found on our church website www.ucc-saukcity.org such as weekly Sunday school materials for download/printing as well as relevant church announcements, links and devotionals/sermons by the pastor.

*First United Church of Christ is grateful for those who can make a church offering during this time of no public worship. We rely on the support of the faith community to make our ministry happen. Thanks to those of you who have mailed in your church offerings or who have given electronically.