



Court Street United Methodist Church

215 North Court Street, Rockford, IL 61103

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10 A.M. Worship Service

April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

OPEN HEARTS...OPEN MINDS...OPEN DOORS



Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times.

Please sing only in your hearts.

Remember to wear a mask and observe social distancing guidelines (6 feet apart).

Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED

Ringing of the Bell - Please use this to begin focusing for worship.

Prelude

“Awake, Arise”

Robert J. Powell

§ **Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, share with us the joyful news: Our Jesus lives, in death’s despite! For lack of faith, do not refuse to step from darkness into light.

***People:* How dark it was we mourners knew, who grieved for him in self-despair; until at last the sun broke through, and it was Jesus standing there!**

Leader: Lay grief aside and dry your eyes; with life-denying sin have done;

***All:* Come, with your risen Lord, arise; a new life waits to be begun.**

Opening Hymn UMH #307

“Christ Is Risen”

Instrumental

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD

New Testament Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Leader: This is the Good News of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

***People:* Glory to you, O Lord.**

Children’s Message

James L. Crow

§ Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

***People:* Glory to you, O Lord.**

“Without A Doubt!”
Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Musical Witness
“He’s Got The Whole World In His Hands”
arr. Hayes
Performed by Jack Armstrong

Doxology UMH #94 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Instrumental

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #557 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” Instrumental

Benediction

Because of God’s say-so, you can go forth to
Think more clearly,
Feel more deeply,
Speak more truthfully,
Love more extravagantly,
Risk more boldly,
Serve more creatively,
Give more lavishly,
Live more abundantly.

Choral Response “Christ Be With Me” *Keveren*

Postlude “I Believe in One God” *James D. Kimball*

Please wait for ushers to dismiss you before leaving.

Announcements

- Today we are collecting a special offering for our Apportionment.
- Next week we are collecting a special offering for Native American Ministries Sunday.
- Garden Bazaar orders are due Monday, April 19th.
- Have you begun thinking of your garden yet? We have Lowe’s, Menards and Home Depot cards for any items for your lawn and gardening needs. Scrip cards are available for purchase in the church office during office hours. We hope you will include Scrip in your plans!

With thanks for your support, The Scrip Committee