

*Our Mission:
Love God
Love Others
Make Disciples*



*Our Vision:
Be the hands
and feet
of Christ*

**Northgate United Methodist Church
April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday/Communion Sunday
Sermon Series: See I Am Doing A New Thing (Part 8 of 8)
Sermon: Rejoice!
*Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!***

Prelude
Greeting

NOTE: † Congregation, please stand as you are able.
Bold: Congregation, please respond together.

†Call to Worship

Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope. Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed.

We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now and always.

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

Thanks be to God.

†Opening Prayer

God of new life and new possibilities, we gather to sing our songs of gladness and to share your steadfast love. Some of us come from the shadows of our lives, as we anticipate the light. Some of us come eager to learn, but are unsure of what it all means. Some of us come in grief, grateful to discover hope. Wherever we have come from, may we all find you, the risen Christ, the one who conquered death and proclaims new life for all. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. **AMEN.**

†Opening Hymn

Because He Lives

UMH 364, v. 1 & 3

Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn

He Lives

UMH 310, v. 1 & 3

‡Affirmation of Faith

“A Modern Affirmation”

UMH 885

*Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:*

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children’s good.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father’s unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth.
AMEN.**

Young Disciples’ Time

Pastor Jennifer

Anthem

Up from the Grave He Arose.

Choir

‡Scripture

Luke 24:1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Rejoice"

Pastor Jennifer

Holy Communion

Table I

UMH 7-11

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

‡Closing Hymn

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

UMH 302, v. 1,3 & 5

‡ Benediction

‡ Choral Response

Go Now in Peace (2X)

**Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you everywhere,
everywhere you may go.**

‡ Postlude

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor..... Rev. Jennifer Kilpatrick
Liturgist Sunrise Service..... Jack Kilpatrick
Liturgist 10:45 Service..... Gail Blythe
Music Director..... David Forbus
Accompanist..... Laura Benton
A/V Team Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh



Traditional Worship Service in-person or online at 10:45 a.m.

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Upcoming Worship Services

April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

Begin 6-week sermon series

Scripture: Acts 5:27-32

Sermon title: We Are Witnesses

Sermon series: We Are Witnesses
(week one of six)