

March 31, 2013
The Resurrection of Our Lord
10:45 a.m.

Please enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship in silence.

*But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have died.
For since death came through a human being,
the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being.
For as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.
(1 Corinthians 15:20-21)*

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting

Early on the first day of the week,
The disciples of Jesus went to the tomb
Where he had been buried
Only to find that the stone had been rolled away
And the tomb was empty.
Friends, we gather here as Christ's disciples,
On the first day of the week,
To celebrate the good news of the gospel:
Jesus Christ has risen from the dead!

The Lord is Risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Choral Introit *"O Sing We Alleluia"* Sheldon Curry

Call to Worship

People of God, we are witnesses to these things;
That Christ died, hanging on a cross;
That God raised him from the dead on the third day;
That he is coming again in glory to reign.
This is the good news we tell to all the world:
Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Processional Hymn 258 *"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"* EASTER HYMN

*Invocation

Welcome

Please sign the red attendance pad at the end of the pew and pass it along the row.

Song of Praise 108 (silver) *"How Lovely on the Mountains"*

WORD AND SPIRIT

Hebrew Scripture

Isaiah 65:17-25

Time with Children

(Children continue with us in worship today)

*The Easter Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 242

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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Proclamation

Alive in Christ!

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

RESPONSE

Choral Anthem

"And Can It Be?"

David Clydesdale

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

"Behold the Man"

Thomas Fettke

*Response (241, verse 5)

***All Praise, O Risen Lord, we give
To you, who dead, again now live.
To God the Father equal praise,
And God the Holy Ghost we raise.***

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING FORTH

*Hymn 245

"Low in the Grave He Lay"

CHRIST AROSE

(If you would like to join in singing "Hallelujah", please come forward during the final verse)

*Charge and Benediction

*Choral Anthem

"Hallelujah" from Messiah

G.F. Handel

Postlude

**Please stand as you are able.*

Following the Postlude and during the coffee hour, a Stephen Minister will be available near the stained glass windows for anyone interested in individual prayer.

Welcome! We pray that you will experience anew the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as we worship together.

Our thanks to Walter Gast and Anne Hazelwood, sanctuary greeters, Hal Jenkins, Thom Morris, LeRoy Nelson, Carla Spellman and Marty Spellman, ushers; Joyce Shelton and Thom Morris, Readers; Royce and Marj Eckhardt and Jim and Cary Geake, coffee hosts;

WINNETKA COVENANT CHURCH
March 31, 2013—EASTER SUNDAY

Welcome!

Please join us in the narthex immediately following worship for coffee and conversation.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

- 8:30-10 a.m. Easter Breakfast. All are invited to attend. Proceeds from the breakfast will help support this summer's mission trip to Covenant Mountain Mission in Virginia.
- 10:45 a.m. Worship. Prelude music will begin at 10:30 a.m.
Family Promise arrives
Confirmation and High League will not be meeting this week.

TUESDAY—APRIL 2

- Women's Bible Study will not be meeting this week, and will resume on Tuesday, April 9.
- 9:45 a.m. Playgroup. All are welcome. Contact: Kira Johnson.
- 7:00 p.m. Mens Basketball
- 7:00 p.m. All Boards and Committees meet. (Trustees will be meeting on the 9th this month). Gather first in the sanctuary.

WEDNESDAY—APRIL 3

- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Music—for children age 4 through third grade
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner. All are welcome. Cost: \$3.50/adult; \$2.50/child or \$10/family.
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Singing, Skits and Scripture in the Upper Room. All are welcome.
- 6:45 p.m. Programs for all ages, ending at 7:45 p.m. Explorers (ages 2-3); Voyagers (ages 4-kindergarten); Pathfinders (grades 1-2); Trailblazers (grades 3-5); Junior High
- 6:45 p.m. Life & Faith Conversations. Topic: Job and Our Life Questions
- 6:45 p.m. The Story in Room 203
- 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY—APRIL 4

- 12 noon Women's Sharing Group will meet at Corner Bakery. All women are invited to attend. Contact: Marian Eckhardt.
- 1:00 p.m. Community Kitchen—food preparation in our church kitchen. All are invited to participate.
- 1:00 p.m. Womens Bible Study-We are in the second week of "*Discerning the Voice of God*", by Priscilla Shirer. All are welcome. Contact: Claire Macfarland.

FRIDAY—APRIL 5

- 5:30 p.m. High League Girls and Guys Night Out
- 6:30 p.m. The Marriage Course

SATURDAY—APRIL 6

- 8:00 a.m. Mens Fellowship

SUNDAY—APRIL 7

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. Rotation Sunday School: *The Covenant: The Early Church as the Body of Christ*. For adults, *Exploring Covenant Affirmations* will be led by Kurt Peterson in the Upper Room and *The Story* will meet in Room 203
- 10:45 a.m. Worship
- 12 noon Junior High Video Scavenger Hunt
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Continuing Education and Supervision. Trudy DeWaters—Elderly care and memory issues
- 7:00 p.m. High League

ADVANCE CALENDAR

Fridays, April 5-May 17, 6:30-9 p.m. Second offering of **The Marriage Course**. Sign up on the church website to attend or volunteer to help.

Sunday, April 14. Installation of Christy Bouris during the worship service

Saturday, April 20. **Rummage Sale**. Donations may be dropped off on the stage beginning Monday, April 8.

Tuesday, April 23, 7:00 p.m. Our church in partnership with the Winnetka Interfaith Council will host a community forum: "**Bullying: The 3 B's, the Bully, the Bullied, the Bystander.**" Presenters are Dr. Linda Yonke, superintendent of New Trier School District and Dr. Mark Smaller, an adult/child psychoanalyst practicing in the area. These experts will offer advice on strategies and prevention in schools as well as on the internet. A time for discussion will follow. This event is open to the community including children and guests. Please consider joining us as we together address this growing problem.

July 13-20, 2013. **Intergenerational Mission Trip** to Covenant Mountain Mission in Jonesville, Virginia. Registration deadline: May 1. Questions, contact Jeff Johnson.

NOTICES

Our thoughts and prayers are with Beth Lindahl and family on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Lindahl, on Saturday, March 23 in Connecticut.

Please pick up your copy of the April Network in the narthex today after worship.

Larger print copies of the morning hymns are available on the table in the back of the church near the sound booth. Children's bulletins are also available in the narthex. Please help yourself as needed.

Our church participates in the "every member subscription plan" for the **Covenant Companion**, meaning that we provide subscriptions to the magazine for each member family at a reduced rate of \$18. We ask families who are able to please reimburse the church for the cost of your subscription. Checks can be made payable to Winnetka Covenant Church with "Covenant Companion" noted on the check and left in the offering plate or mailed to the church office. Thank you.

Delegates for the Central Conference Annual meeting needed! This year's meeting will be held in Dolton, Illinois on April 26 & 27. If interested in representing our church in this way, please contact the church office.

Delegates also needed for the Evangelical Covenant Church Annual meeting, held June 27-30 in Detroit, Michigan. Contact the church office.

Struggling through one of life's storms? Consider a Stephen Minister. We're companions, listeners, prayer partners. We're there to walk along side you through the difficult times. And our relationships are strictly confidential. Contact one of our pastors to learn more or to be directed to a Stephen Ministry Leader.

The Story: A journey together into the story of God's love, continues Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m., and Sundays, 9:30 a.m. *The Story* is scripture condensed into 31 accessible chapters, allowing the stories, poems and teachings of the Bible to read like a novel. Materials will be provided. All are welcome.

Texts for next week: Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

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The Stephen Ministers

*Our mission is to be a Christian community and to proclaim the gospel,
worshiping together in love, nurturing people in the faith, serving others as Christian disciples,
and building a world of justice and hope in the name of Christ.*

At Winnetka Covenant Church:

We hold grace as our highest value.

We practice honest, open, direct communication.

We speak the truth in love and listen in love.

We believe the best about each other, valuing others above ourselves, as Christ does.

We allow room for mistakes, acknowledging that mistakes are part of the growth process.