



# Murray Presbyterian Church

March 31, 2024 10am Worship  
Easter Sunday

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## Welcome and Announcements

Greeting One Another

Ringing of the Tower Bell

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here.  
He is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed!**

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### \*Prayer of the Day

**Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

\*Hymn: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

WC 234

### Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ,  
when our words and actions reflect a reluctance  
to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives:  
**Forgive us.**

When we fear that humbling ourselves  
would be seen by others as weakness,  
some kind of defect in our character:

**Forgive us.**

When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for you, for others, and for ourselves:

**Forgive us.**

When we find ourselves glossing over the events of your passion and death

because we look to Easter as a time to celebrate.

**Forgive us.**

Lord Jesus Christ, fix your mind in us;  
remake us in your likeness;  
empty us of all that hinders us from following you  
to where pain and suffering,  
exploitation and injustice exist.

**Gracious and loving God, empower us with the Holy Spirit  
so that our lives continually glorify you  
and our tongues forever confess Jesus as Lord.  
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Silent Reflection**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Congregational Response: "Gloria Patri"**

**Scripture: Luke 24:1-8, Philippians 2:5-11**

**Sermon: "Overcoming Pride with Humility"  
(*Countermoves, pt. 7*)  
Reverend William J. McConnell**

**\*Hymn: "The Day of Resurrection"**

**WC 247**

Prayers of the People and the 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.**

Offering

\*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: "Christ Arose!"

WC 235

\*Benediction and Benediction Response

**May the Lord, mighty God  
Bless you and keep you forever  
Grant you peace, perfect peace  
Courage in every endeavor.**

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**Lift up your eyes and see His face  
And his grace forever  
May the Lord, mighty God  
Bless you and keep you forever.**

\*Please Stand if Able

WC: Worshiping Church Hymnal (found on seat) PH: Presbyterian Hymnal (found in pew rack)

## **Announcements**

### **SENCA Donation Theme for March: “Healthy Snacks”**

Our church’s donation theme for the month of March is “healthy snacks.” We are asking for non-perishable items such as trail mix, granola bars, raisins, and nuts.

These items will then be donated to the SENCA food pantry in Plattsmouth which serves Cass County.

### **One Great Hour of Sharing**

Offering envelopes are in the pew racks for the One Great Hour of Sharing. Proceeds from this special offering are divided, in roughly equal proportions, between Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

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