



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

*“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”*

Apr. 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

10:00 AM

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

\* Please stand, if you are able

### Prelude Music

### Welcome and Announcements

Welcome, friends. We're so glad you came to join us in our worship of God today. We hope you'll feel the Spirit's love surround you and that you'll leave this place feeling refreshed and renewed. You are very welcome here, and we hope you'll come again and join us in worship, study and fellowship as we strive to make some very special friends. *(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and use the prayer request cards for your joys/concerns.)*

### Interlude Music and Lighting of the Christ Candle

#### Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (CEB)

Give thanks to the LORD because he is good, his faithful love lasts forever.

**Let God's children say it: “God's faithful love lasts forever!”**

The LORD is my strength and protection; he is my saving help!

**The sounds of joyful songs and deliverance are heard in the tents of the righteous:**

“The LORD's strong hand is victorious!”

**I won't die—no, I will live and declare what the LORD has done.**

Open the gates of righteousness for me so I can come in and give thanks to the LORD!

**This is the LORD's gate; those who are righteous enter through it.**

The stone rejected by the builders is now the main foundation stone!

**This is the day the LORD has made; we will rejoice and celebrate in it!**

### Gathering Prayer

#### \* Gathering Song

*“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”*

#232

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we come to you carrying heavy burdens. We see death and destruction in the world and hopelessness weighs upon our hearts. We hear of violence in our streets and helplessness holds us back. We feel sorrow and regret in our own lives and despair closes us in. But today is the day of resurrection. Break open the doors of life. Tear down the walls of death. Help us to experience the gift of resurrection in our daily lives and lead us to trust in the promise of new life forevermore. In the name of the Risen Christ we pray. Amen! *(Silent Prayer of Confession)*

### Prayer Response

*“Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me”*

#71

*Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.*

*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.*

### Assurance of Pardon

#### \* Response of Praise

*“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

#12 (vs. 1)

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

*In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,*

*Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,*

*Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

#### \* Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## WE OPEN OUR HEARTS TO GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

#### First Lesson

**I Corinthians 15:1-11**

NRSV, page 1048

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### Second Lesson

**John 20:1-18**

NRSV, page 988

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

**“Our Savior Speaks”**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH JOY

#### \* Song of Response

*“The Day of Resurrection”*

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**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe I Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Offering of our Gifts**

*Offertory*

**\* Offertory Response "You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" #299 (vs. 4)**

*Then let us adore and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
All honor and blessing, with angels above,  
And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.*

**\* Prayer of Dedication of our Offerings**

**WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**\*Communion Song "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken" #498**

**The Communion of the People of God**

**The Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**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.**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup**

**The Communion of the People of God**

**The Prayer After Communion**

**WE GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

**\* Sending Song "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" #240**

**\* Charge and Benediction**

**\* Benediction Response "Christ Is Alive!" #246 (vs. 5)**

*Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,  
'Til earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.*

**\* Postlude**

**OUR WORSHIP IS ENDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS!**

**Questions for Reflection**

Paul's claim about Christ Jesus in 1 Corinthians 15 is a creed: Christ died, was buried, was raised, and appeared to many disciples and finally to Paul, who writes, "by the grace of God I am what I am" (v. 10). If you were to say those words of yourself, what would it mean that everything about you—all you are and have done—is "by the grace of God"? Where is God's grace evident in your life today?

**Did you know?**

The first Presbyterian participation in the ecumenical offering known as One Great Hour of Sharing was initiated in 1947 by the former United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (UPCUSA), followed in 1948 by the former Presbyterian Church in the United States (PCUS) to assist with rebuilding many of the places broken by the destruction of the Second World War. While there is no record of funds raised over the years, it is estimated that over 75,000 churches have participated in this Special Offering.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Apr 1, 2018

**Welcome Friends!** If you are new in the area or looking for a church home, we hope you will consider becoming a part of this community of faith. Please use the Fellowship Pad to note your presence with us and the welcome card to help us serve you better. **There is a large- print Bible and handheld hearing devices on the table at the back of the sanctuary and also in the foyer for anyone who needs them.**

**Please be advised:** Videos, audiotapes, and photographs may be taken during worship and other church activities for broad use (including the Internet), and that by attending you consent to this and to the broad use described. **If you do not wish to have your photo taken and/or published on our website,** please send a request in writing to [office@chapellane.org](mailto:office@chapellane.org) or Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church, 5501 Jefferson Ave., Midland, MI 48640.

**Children in Worship:** We have **Worship Bags** in the back of the sanctuary containing worship aids for children: Blue-handled bags for older children, red-handled bags for younger. Please return them to the floor below the rack at the end of the service. We have a staffed **nursery** for children infant through first grade (older children may use the nursery and playground if accompanied by an adult). During the school year, we offer **Children's Church** for kids from kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade on most Sundays. Children will remain for part of worship and will be dismissed part way through the service to a time geared toward them.

**Tape Ministry:** Each week our worship service is taped and sent to our homebound members and friends. This is a ministry of our Deacons. If you would like more information, please contact Harry White (692-2059).

**Bulletin Announcements:** Bulletin announcements are listed **two weeks** prior to an event. For a forecast of upcoming events farther in the future, please visit "newsletter" or the church "calendar" at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org). Did you miss last week's announcements? They may be viewed at "Worship /bulletin" at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org).

### CHAPEL LANE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through April 15, 2018

**One Great Hour of Sharing:** Today we dedicate our donations to the first of the four yearly special offerings of the PC (USA), One Great Hour of Sharing. This offering will be split three ways, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Hunger Program. Envelopes are available in the pew racks. If you are using a check, make it payable to Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church and mark your memo line OGHHS. Thank you for your generous donations. The Board of Deacons.

**The April Chapel Chimes Newsletter** is available in your mail folders. Please pick it up on your way home this morning.

**Lectionary-Based Class:** The Lectionary-based class meets at 9:00 a.m. in the library. We hope you will consider joining us.

**FISH Program:** NO FISH program this week.

**The Thursday Afternoon Bible Study:** NO Bible Study this week.

**Manual of Administrative Operations (MAO):** The MAO has been missing from the church office for about 4 weeks. If you know of its whereabouts, please return it to the office.

**The Monday Evening Circle** will meet April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Nona Willing, 216 Morning Meadow Way. We will be studying Lesson 8 of the study guide. Call Nona at 989-513-5960 if you have questions. Everyone is welcome.

**Music and Remembrance Holocaust Memorial Concert:** The Holocaust not only stamped our 6,000,000 lives, but also art, music, and the creative spirit of those who so willingly shared their talent. Please join us at Creative 360 for this special performance of chamber music featuring works by composers who died in the holocaust, their stories and their impact on the artistic world. Participating musicians include Susan Mercy, Sheree Clark Lovell, Grant Von Wald, Cathy White and Jim Hohmeyer. Readings will be presented by Kathleen McGuire and Larry Levy. \$10 pre-pay; \$12 at the door. Saturday, April 7, 7:00 p.m.

**Fun in Faith:** Sign up today to join the Fun in Faith folks for a family style Amish Dinner at Countryside Dinners in Clare on **Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 p.m. **NOTE DATE CHANGE.** Cost is \$15.00 (without tip) and includes chicken, meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade noodles, green beans, tossed salad, homemade breads, butter, homemade apple butter or jams, apple and cherry pies. Directions to Countryside Dinners are on the poster. Sign-up deadline is Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. See Sally Ginter-Coats for further information.

**"STOP HUNGER CHALLENGE" CONTINUES THROUGH APRIL:** The major fundraiser of the Midland County Emergency Food Pantry Network (EFPN) continues through the month of April. The EFPN goal for this fundraiser in 2018 is \$80,000 in food and/or money. Food may be brought to Chapel Lane for the HELP pantry and monetary donations may be sent to Midland County EFPN, P.O. Box 2521, Midland, MI 48641-2521 or may be payable to Chapel Lane (with "EFPN Stop Hunger Challenge" on the memo line) with the total donation forwarded by the church to EFPN in late April. To watch our progress towards this goal, please check our website at [www.midlandcountyeftp.org](http://www.midlandcountyeftp.org). We are grateful to those who have donated in March and

to those who wish to contribute in April. Thank you for your faithful generosity in this ministry!

**Mobile Food Pantry Update:** The Mobile Food Pantry (MFP) held on March 21 at Faith United Methodist Church in Coleman served 168 families (465 individuals) who live in Midland County. Seventy-one volunteers unloaded and sorted 11,828 pounds of frozen meats, bags of potatoes and apples, canned and boxed goods, beverages, and bakery items purchased from the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan with a donation from the Coleman VFW Post 1071. The next MFP will be at Trinity Lutheran Church on Jefferson Avenue in Midland on Thursday, May 24. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.

**Out of Chaos, HOPE:** The Presbyterian Mission Agency has published its annual “Year in Review.” Your copy is waiting for you in the Chapel Lane library. Help yourself today and learn how Presbyterian Disaster Assistance responded to disasters in the U.S. and around the world in 2017, thanks to you and other Presbyterians across the country. And while you’re in the library, check out a children’s **Easter book** (displayed on the table), to share with your child today!

**From PDA:** In 2017, because of your generous support, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) was able to **grant more than \$4 million across the globe; support 7,136** work team volunteers who helped those affected by disaster; **deploy 418** National Response Team members who spent **2,122** days in the field in **70** presbyteries; **train 110** Presbyterian Women in disaster preparedness; **screen films in 6** festivals; and through Church World Service, aid in the collection and distribution of **243,942 Gift of the Heart kits** and blankets. **In the United States and Puerto Rico**, grants totaling **\$1,710,381.76** were disbursed for recovery from hurricanes, floods, human-caused disasters, tornadoes, fires, storms and refugee ministry...and, **additionally, 7,136 blue-shirt volunteers gave more than 200,000 hours of volunteer labor valued at over \$4.8 million.** THANK YOU!

#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through April 15, 2018

**Grove Music Festival Presents: Classics for a Sunday Afternoon**, featuring the music of Beethoven, Saint-Saens, Bruch, and Brahms. Sunday, April 8 at 3:00 p.m. Admission \$10, Students \$5. Ralph Skiano-Clarinet, Wei Yu – Cello, Pauline Martin – Piano.

**Spring Gathering:** Please join us for our Annual 2018 Spring Gathering: “Celebrating the Gifts of Women”, Saturday, April 14, Westminster Presbyterian Church (USA), 103 E. Midland St. Bay City, MI 48708 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The organization Women At Risk International is our featured topic for the day. Light refreshments will be served. Lunch is on your own. There is no fee for this event. For more information on the organization, visit the W.A.R. website at <https://warinternational.org/>.

#### *Participants in Today’s Service*

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. Dr. Rhonda Myers
<b>Musicians(8:15):</b>	Linda Langrill, Doug Moe
<b>(10:00):</b>	Karen Graef, Dr. Tim Hendrickson
<b>Worship Leader(8:15):</b>	Bob McGee
<b>(10:00):</b>	Howard Lewis
<b>Ushers (10:00):</b>	Bill and Sally Ginter-Coats, Carol Rowe, Barry Moyer
<b>Communion Servers:</b>	Harry White, Ron Hynds, Cathy and Mike Starch
<b>Nursery:</b>	Renee White and Jennifer Hahn
<b>Ministers:</b>	<i>All the members of Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church</i>

#### **Our Mission Statement**

*Celebrating our diversity of gifts, we seek to serve Christ by serving others with grace, love and laughter.*

#### *Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church*

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