

Dear Church family,

We will have In-person and Online Worship at 10am on **Sunday, April 17, 2022.**

The information for Online Worship is:

<https://www.littlefallsumc.org/onlineworship>

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOzxLc7UQjeMnprjm9u8gtQ/>

You can join Online Worship using your home phone or cell phone.

Call 646-876-9923, enter Meeting ID, 917 9067 6301, enter Passcode 139139.

Sunday Scriptures

Acts 10:37-41; John 20:1-18

I will deliver the message titled, 'Jesus Gives Us Resurrection'.

If you have any concerns and joys and share with the congregation and ask the church to pray on Sunday, please let me know! You can email, call, or text me. Or you can submit your prayer concerns and joys here: <https://www.littlefallsumc.org/prayer>

Your generous financial support is significant and appreciated very much.

We have continued our ministries with your support.

Thank you for your financial support with your service for the church and the congregation. Please mail your offerings and tithes to the church office (139 Main St.

Little Falls, NJ 07424). You can give us your offerings before or after worship on Sunday or during the church office hours, (Tuesday – Friday, 10 am – 1 pm)

or online at www.littlefallsumc.org/donation.

Again, we appreciate your generosity very much.

Please see the bulletin for other announcements!

Have a good day! & See you on Sunday!

Pastor Jin

Little Falls United Methodist Church

Worship Bulletin

Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022 - Sunday Worship: 10 AM



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***“A Welcoming Community of Faith, Hope,
Mission and Outreach Sharing Christ’s Love”***

“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World”

**“I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,
which is your spiritual worship.” (Romans 12:1)**

Called to Praise

‡Prepare your heart and body for Worship

Welcome & Greeting

‡Call to Worship

Leader: Don't weep! Don't mourn! There is great Good News!

All: Christ the Lord is risen today!

Leader: Put away your garments of mourning; let the light of God's love flood into your lives.

All: Christ the Lord is risen today!

Leader: No more do we have to fear the darkness; it has been overcome by God's light.

All: Christ the Lord is risen today. ALLELUIA!

‡Praise Song

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

UMH 302 v1-4

Christ, the Lord, is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy vict'ry, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Children's Time

Happy Easter!

Announcements

- We have '**In-Person' Worship in the Sanctuary** and '**Online Worship**' at 10 am on ***Sunday, April 17, 2022***. You can choose In-person worship or Online worship to worship with us.
- Wearing a mask is optional in the church. If you don't feel good, we recommend wearing a mask.

- The Worship Bulletin will be sent to you by email (most people) or mail (those who cannot access email). You can see the bulletin on the church website,
<https://www.littlefallsumc.org/onlineworship>
- You can join our online worship via YouTube or Facebook for Online Worship. Type “Little Falls United Methodist Church” in searching window on Youtube or Facebook. You can use the link below to join in Online Worship.
 YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOzxLc7UQjeMnprim9u8gtQ/>
- You can join the Online Worship by your phone. Call 646-876-9923 and enter the Meeting ID, 917 9067 6301 and # Key and then press # key again! Passcode 139139.
- **Altar Flowers** – Thank you to the **Corpuz Family** for providing the altar flowers for Sunday Service for Eric’s birthday. If you would like to offer the altar flowers, please contact Janet (973) 896-8936 (ladyteddy@aol.com).
- **Prayer Concerns & Joys** - Please email Pastor Jin (jkim@littlefallsumc.org) if you would like to share your concerns and joys with the congregation. Pastor Jin will lift up the names in the order of prayer in our worship.
- **Easter Egg Hunt** – All children are invited to Easter Egg Hunt that will be held after Worship on Easter Sunday, April 17.
- **A Special Charge Conference** – We will have a Special Charge Conference for the Election of a new SPRC Chairperson on **April 26th, Tuesday**, at 7:30 pm via Zoom. The church leadership (officials) will receive the Zoom link to the conference. We will update all of you regarding the conference.
- **Let’s Help Ukraine** – Janet delivered the collected items to the Ukraine Church in Clifton. The minister expressed gratitude to our congregation. We continue to collect Medical/baby Items. Contact Janet D. if you have any questions. Thank you all for participating in the collection.
- **Easter Flower** – Thanks for making a beautiful alter with your Easter flowers today. Please take your flowers after worship.
- **UMW Victorian Tea & Auction!** - UMW will hold the annual Victorian Tea & Auction at Noon on **Saturday, April 23**. Tickets will go on sale in March at \$20 per person. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa (201) 452-7759 or melissadowning82@gmail.com or Lorraine (973) 641-2695 or lordecaprio@yahoo.com
- **Church Forum** – We concluded “Church Forum for Church ministry” with the last meeting. The team will present the accomplishment through the church forum. We will begin another church forum for the church ministry on **Saturday, April 30th**

as the initial meeting. Let's work on God's ministry together!

- **Kids For Christ** – Join us in KFC! All Children (K – 5th grade) are welcome. The next meeting will be held on ***Thursday, May 5th*** at 5pm to 6:30pm. K.F.C. is a program for children. We have KFC every first and third Thursday of the month.
- **Treasured Memories** – “Treasured Memories” is a grief group for those who have lost their loved ones. The ongoing meeting is held in Lee Lounge at 7pm on every ***2nd Wednesday of the month.*** Contact Allison for details (973) 800-4152.
- **Online Donation** – Online donation is available now. Please visit the church website and click ‘Donation.’ The link is here: www.LittleFallsUMC.org/donation.
- **Shoprite Gift Card** - If you want to buy a Shoprite gift card, please contact Pete (973) 595-5765 or (detroit50@aol.com).
- **Kohl's Gift Card** - If you want to buy a Kohl's gift card, please contact Allison.
- **AmazonSmile Program** - Please choose Little Falls UMC as your charity organization at <https://smile.amazon.com>. All services and prices will be the same and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase to the church.
- Your financial support and generosity are greatly appreciated and essential for our church ministry and mission. Please consider sending your tithes and offerings to Little Falls UMC (139 Main St. Little Falls, NJ 07424). You can send your offerings and tithes to the church every week. Or you can send offerings and tithes for a month with a check. Thanks again for your generosity again!
- **LFUMC FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED** - Many families depend on the Food Pantry on a regular basis. The Pantry needs the following non-perishable items; canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, adult/children's cereal, pasta & sauce, instant potatoes/rice, tuna, chicken, sardines, fruit, apple sauce, juice, and granola bars.
- **SOCKS FOR SOULS - *Do your feet get cold?*** Please help Unity Circle to provide new or gently used socks to the homeless. There is a constant need. Please drop off your socks in the large white sock in the Narthex.
- **The Unity Circle** has an ongoing collection of new and gently used gloves, hats, scarves, and mittens to help people in need. Please help the ministry by bringing your items to the church when you can. Please see Betty Caceres for more information. **Thank you for your support!**
- **Ongoing Collection** - UMW also collects postmarked stamps, can pull tabs, Box Tops for Education, and the front of greeting cards. Items are donated to different charities and organizations.
- **Vacation** - Pastor Jin will take a vacation from ***April 18 to 24.***

‡Hymn of Prayer**Give Thanks****TFWS 2036**

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks To the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say "I am strong"
Let the poor say "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Pausing for Silent Prayer and Confession**Prayers of the People (Response: God, in Your Mercy, hear our prayers.)**

Almighty and wondrous God, on this day of new beginnings, we offer our songs to proclaim your victory over death. All that you have done is marvelous in our eyes, and so we offer our praise to your holy and powerful Name. Receive the joyful thanksgiving which we offer to you and bless it as a declaration of your worthiness to be worshipped. In the empty tomb, God declares that nothing can separate us from the love of God; nothing we have done, or left undone; no one whom we have been or failed to be. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Please empty our tombs of concerns, worries, and situations but fill our hearts with hope and joy of resurrection that you have shown through Jesus Christ so that we praise you with joy and gratitude on this glorious day. Amen.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choir Anthem**Little Falls UMC Choir****Called to the Word****Prayer for Illumination**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

All: Amen

NT Lesson**Acts 10:37-41**

³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God

was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

This ends the NT Lessons.

Let us turn to the Gospel Lesson. Please stand, if able.

Gospel Lesson

John 20:1-18

The Resurrection of Jesus

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Good morning, Church family! I hope you had a blessed week in Jesus Christ last week. The Lenten season passed, and we welcome Easter Sunday today. Happy Easter to you again. We meditate on the meaning of Jesus' sacrificial love on the cross during Lent. On the cross, Jesus takes our places, sets us free, shows us how to live, restores our relationships, makes us clean, and gives us victory. I hope all of us hold the meanings of Jesus' cross in our hearts all the time and live out our new life in Jesus Christ all the time.

You would watch movies or read books whose main plot is a person's sacrifice that saves his/her loved one, ones, or many people. We are touched and give our respect to the people when they make it real. We often hear the news that a person sacrificed oneself to save one's kids or family, or neighbors in situations such as flood, earthquake, fire, or shooting. One's sacrifice for others is very precious and valuable. However, unfortunately, the death of the one who sacrifices oneself does not change at the end of a story in the movie or a book or the real event.

Jesus' story is different from other stories. The first part of his story is similar to other stories. Jesus died on the cross for us. Jesus gave up his life for us to save us. His sacrifice saves all people in the world. His death gives us a new life in God. His sacrifice makes us be healed, forgiven, and cleansed. He died for us, and we are safe. However, that is not all. His story goes to death but continues to resurrection. Jesus rose from death and has a resurrected life. Although he gave up his life for us, God has given him resurrection and a new life.

Have you waited for Easter Sunday? Were you excited about the coming Easter Sunday? Why have you waited for Easter Sunday? What makes you excited for Easter Sunday? The answer would be the risen Jesus. Easter Sunday is the day we celebrate Jesus' resurrection. Our Lord, Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for us, rose from death and completed the victory. It is a great joy for us because we love Jesus, and he rose again. It is a joy for us because we know that Jesus gave up his life for us and our sins. He didn't deserve death, but he took it for us. He died on the cross for us instead of us. He took our place of death. He died to save us from sin and death. He died for God's forgiveness for us. He died to give us a new life. We believe that we are the reason that he died, so the fact that Jesus rose from death is our great joy. Jesus, who we love, is risen indeed. Jesus has been resurrected from death. Alleluia!

That's not all. Jesus' resurrection is not only for Jesus but for us because Jesus gives us resurrection. Jesus' resurrection is our hope because Jesus showed us through Jesus' resurrection that we will be resurrected from death. People in the world think that death is the end of our lives. We cannot handle death. In a movie or a book, the author usually does not resurrect the person who died to observe the reality. People try to do something when a person is going down to death. Doctors do this and that to save the person. However, when there is no vital sign, doctors stop everything because they cannot do anything with death, but the only thing that people can do is just accept death. However, as Christians, we don't think that death is the end for us, but we believe that we will have another life from resurrection. When Jesus came to a girl who had just died, everyone thought it was done,

and there was nothing that Jesus could do because she had died already. However, Jesus resurrected her and let her have a new life. Our God is the almighty God. Our Jesus is powerful more than death. And we are in God, and we are in Jesus. Jesus' resurrection is our resurrection. Jesus's life is our lives. We celebrate Easter Sunday not only for Jesus' resurrection but also for our resurrection that Jesus has promised and our hope in Jesus' resurrection.

Little Falls Church Family,

I hope we live out our lives with the hope of resurrection that Jesus showed and Jesus has promised to us. Whatever we face, whenever we feel like it is done and there is nothing that we can help ourselves with, let us remember that Jesus will resurrect us. Our end is not death but resurrection. Even when we fail something in our lives or we are in big trouble, Jesus' promise of resurrection is still for us and with us. Our life stories will not end with death but resurrection in the risen Jesus. Jesus is risen! Jesus is risen indeed! We will be risen. We will be risen indeed because Jesus gives us resurrection. Let us rejoice for Jesus' resurrection! Let us praise God and give thanks to God for our resurrection that we will have as Jesus has promised us!

We are good people and generous people who always want to help others. There are many people who don't know the truth of the resurrection. There are many people in the world who don't know Jesus gives them resurrection, and they can have the resurrected life in the risen Jesus. Let us tell this truth to others. Let us tell them that death is not the end of their stories, but resurrection will be the end of their stories when they accept the risen Jesus as their savior. Let us help others to find hope of resurrection from the risen Jesus. Let us serve others to find the joy of resurrection from the risen Jesus.

Jesus is risen. Jesus is risen indeed. Alleluia! Amen!

Called to Share

Response to Our Generous God

‡**Doxology** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* **UMH 95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

‡**Prayer of Dedication**

All: Mighty God of Resurrection Power: You offer us life that overcomes death, light that overcomes darkness, hope that overcomes our deepest despair! What response could we offer? Our tithes and gifts, yes; but our minds, hearts, bodies, and witness as well. May our minds be about understanding who you are and who you long for us to be in this world. May our hearts overflow with

your love and compassion for the poor, the oppressed, and the forgotten. May our bodies carry us out of the tombs of isolation to engage our neighbors as sisters and brothers. May our witness be the “Alleluias!” we take with us to bring hope to everyone we meet! In the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

Called to the World

‡Closing Hymn

He Lives

UMH 310

I serve a risen savior, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever foes may say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
And just the time I need him, he's always near.

Refrain

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

In all the world around me I see his loving care,
and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair.
I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast;
the day of his appearing will come at last.

Refrain

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;
none other is so loving, so good and kind.

Refrain

‡Benediction

Rev. Jin Kook Kim

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.” “The grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.”
Amen.