

At Home Worship with the Oldtown Church

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
North Attleborough, MA | April 4, 2021



WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN - "Christ the Lord, is Risen Today" C#216

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

All creation join to say, Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER

PREPARING TO LISTEN "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" C# 233

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, risen now to reign in love.

Alleluia! Praise the Savior, the multitudes above.

There the songs of saints and martyrs

thunder like a mighty flood

"Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood."



SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-12

NT 109

SONG “Alive, Alive”

Alive, alive, alive forevermore

My Jesus is alive, alive forevermore

Alive, alive, alive forevermore

My Jesus is alive

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia

My Jesus is alive forevermore

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia

My Jesus is alive



SERMON – “Alleluia or an Idle Tale?”

HYMN OF PREPARATION – “Remembrance”

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and the LORDS PRAYER



TIME OF OFFERING

SENDING HYMN – “Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

*Easter people, raise your voices,
sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heaven’s choices;
heavenly music, let it ring:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Easter people, let us sing.*

*Fear of death can no more stop us
from our pressing here below.
For our Lord empowers us
to triumph over every foe.
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.*

*Every day to us is Easter,
with its resurrection song.
When in trouble move the faster
To our God who rights the wrong.
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.*

BENEDICTION

Our worship has ended, let our service begin!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER – 4/4/2021

OFFERING LAST WEEK: **\$1,317.84 – \$3.42 more** than budget

OFFERING 2021 TO DATE: **\$50 less** than budget

TO-DATE AS OF END OF FEBRUARY (16.7% of the year):

✝ FUNDRAISING INCOME: **\$371.42** (2.5% of annual budget)

✝ TOTAL BUDGETED INCOME: **\$10,282.90** (11.4% of annual budget)

✝ TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES: **\$16,684.61** (16.1% of annual budget)

✝ NON-BUDGETED INCOME: **\$2,083.31**

✝ NON-BUDGETED EXPENSES: **\$1,850.00**

✝ TOTAL **SHORTFALL** FOR 2021: **\$6,168.40**

Hopefully you enjoyed walking with Jesus through Holy Week and pondering the questions each day of the week brings. Eastertide presents a time of pondering the meaning of the events that led up to Easter and what that means in the days, months, and years afterward. We will have many questions to answer at Oldtown, and we hope that everyone will participate and make all of our voices heard. We are a Congregational Church, and that means we value the input of EVERYONE in our congregation. To ask your questions, raise your concerns, or make your voice heard in any other way, email us church@oldtownucc.org.

“You must observe [the statutes and ordinances God gave Moses] diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!’”

~ **Deuteronomy 4:6 (NRSV)**