

## Easter Sunday

April 4, 2021 @ 10:30am

First Mennonite Church Hutchinson KS

As you gather, set up your chairs to observe physical distancing between households.

Please also come to the cross.

There you will receive flowers to decorate the cross ... a visual expression of our praise and celebration this Easter morning!

**Delon Martens** 

Prelude Peggy Stucky

Welcome Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

Call to Worship (STS 179)

ne: O living God, who raised Jesus from the dead

we shout your great victory; we sing hymns of praise!

ALL: EVEN WHEN OUR HEARTS ARE HEAVY

AND OUR EYES ARE DIMMED BY SORROW,

YOU ARE FAITHFUL.

YOU WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS

AND BRING JOY IN THE MORNING.

One: Teach us, O God, to trust your gracious love,

to rest in your unfailing goodness, to hope in your true promise, that we may rejoice all our days and share the good news:

death is defeated; all are made alive in you.

ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN!
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## **HYMN** Lo, in the grave he lay (HWB 273)

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior! Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain: Up from the grave He arose,

With a mighty triumph o'er His foes! He arose a victor from the dark domain,

And He lives forever with His saints to reign! He arose! (He arose!) He arose! (He arose!)

Allelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus, my Savior! Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! *Refrain*.

Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior! He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! *Refrain*.

**Prayer** 

"Make me an instrument of your peace"

Scripture Luke 24:1-12

Children's Time

**Sermon** Pastor Jim Unruh

Music for Meditation Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

**HYMN** Christ is alive! Let Christians sing! (HWB 278)

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing! His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, he comes to claim the here and now, and conquer every place and time.

Christ is alive! His Spirit burns through this and every future age, till all creation lives and learns his joy, his justice, love and praise.

Benediction Postlude

Delon Martens

Maggie Goering Pounds

Pastor Tonya

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Peggy Stucky

Low in the grave he lay

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