

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Date: April 11, 2021 - 10:00 Service**

**Theme: Walk with Me—Sandy Blazer, preaching**

**WL— Alan Carlson HL/Piano—Russ Kladko Special: Winter Nights' Walk**

**Virtual Fellowship Time 11:15**

Prelude: "I'll Walk With God" Russ Kladko

Call to Worship: Alan Carlson

Introit: "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

Responsive Reading: Alan(L) & Karen(P)

Leader: God of the open road, God of the twisting path, God of the narrow and upward way, your people are gathered for worship!

**People: In this hour, give us provision for the journey, courage and faith and compassion, and endurance to face any hardship.**

Leader: The winds of change blow, the Spirit of God breathes

**People: Still the world goes on and you walk with us.**

Leader: The dead bulbs burst blooms, lilies, tulips, Spring!

**People: Still the world goes on and you walk with us.**

Leader: Refreshing raindrops moisten parched paths,

**People: Still the world goes on...day after day after day after day. . .**

Leader: O God of Calvary, O Risen Christ, O Holy Spirit!

**People: Open our Minds to understand your Scriptures! Open our Hearts to love the not-yet-convinced! Open our Doors to strangers who might very well be you! Open our Eyes to see you walking beside us, protecting us, encouraging us, loving us. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who moves us, Amen**

Hymn: "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH pg. 304

Mission & Ministries Moment: Alan

Children's Story: — Karen Morones

Anthem: "Just a Closer Walk" Jim McGuire's CD

Passing the Peace: Peace Be with You (ASL) Karen

Scripture: Luke 24:13-33--Alan

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: "We Meet You, O Christ" UMH pg. 257

Message: "Walk with Me"—Sandy Blazer, preaching

If you want to donate to CUMC—Karen

Doxology—Jiyi Jun

Prayers of the People –Alan

The Pastoral Prayer—Pastor Lee

Hymn: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" TFWS pg. 2158

Benediction

Postlude: "Friend of God" - Russ Kladko

## TODAY'S HYMNS

### Easter People, Raise Your Voices

1. Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.  
Christ has brought us heaven's choicings; heavenly music, let it ring:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Easter people, let us sing.
2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our pressing here below.  
For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.
3. 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.

### We Meet You, O Christ

1 We meet You, O Christ, in many a guise:  
Your image we see in simple and wise.  
You live in a palace, exist in a shack.  
We see You, the gardener, a tree on Your back.

2 In millions alive, away and abroad;  
Involved in our life You live down the road.  
Imprisoned in systems, You long to be free.  
We see You, Lord Jesus, still bearing Your tree.

3 We hear You, O man, in agony cry.  
For freedom You march, in riots You die.  
Your face in the papers we read and we see.  
The tree must be planted by human decree.

4 You choose to be made at one with the earth;  
The dark of the grave prepares for Your birth.  
Your death is Your rising, creative Your word:  
The tree springs to life and our hope is restored.

## **Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
daily walking close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but thee. [Refrain]

3 When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;  
guide me gently, safely o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. [Refrain]

### **SCRIPTURE LESSON:**

#### **Luke 24:13-33 New International Version**

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

<sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

<sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

<sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together.