

The Congregational Church of Hollis, UCC

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An Open and Affirming Congregation

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*Four Pillars of Our Mission:
Welcome, Worship, Learn, Serve*

“Resurrection Story: Healed”

April 28, 2024

9:30 a.m.

(Services are being recorded)

The Congregational Church of Hollis, U.C.C.
April 28, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
All Members of the Church, Ministers
The Rev. Tanya Stormo Rasmussen, Pastor & Teacher
Julie Oliver, Minister of Christian Music

PRELUDE

JULIE OLIVER

GOD'S LIGHT AND WORD PRECEDE OUR WORSHIP

DEACONS

WELCOME

REV. TANYA

CHORAL REFRAIN

*Rise up in us and we will rise
From death into a newfound life:
From bondage freed, from harm released,
From illness healed, as one in peace.
When all is lost our hearts are warmed,
Our hope restored, our lives transformed.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

A RESURRECTION TESTIMONY (based on John 21:1-8)

Leader: The disciples returned to the Sea of Galilee, a place where they had spent much time in ministry with Jesus, when he appeared to them again by the shore.

Reader: When we struggle or face an uncertain future, we sometimes seek familiar places, geographies of the heart, places that offer us a sense of being well.

Leader: Simon Peter said to the disciples gathered with him: "I'm going fishing." The disciples eagerly joined him in the boat, but they fished all night and caught nothing.

Reader: Even when our lives have been altered and our paths have changed, setbacks can tempt us to try to go back to the way things were before.

Leader: Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not recognize him. Jesus said, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" The disciples said, "No."

Reader: Regardless of how futile our old ways were, we try them again, finding false comfort in the familiar, yet not truly finding the healing we seek.

Leader: Jesus told the disciples to cast their net on the other side of the boat. They followed his direction and caught so many fish they were unable to haul in the net.

Reader: We can become so overwhelmed with struggles that we forget to let go of our frustrations in order to seek new ways of being, new paths to peace.

Leader: Amid the flopping fish, the disciple whom Jesus loved recognized him, saying, "It is the Lord." Peter put clothes on and jumped into the sea—eager to rush to Jesus.

Reader: When we embrace new ways of being in the midst of life-changing circumstances, we often are filled with hope.

Leader: The other disciples, seeing that they were not far from land, used the boat to drag the bulging nets ashore.

All: When faced with permanent obstacles, rather than repeat what once worked, we can shift our perspective to other ways of well-being.

Leader: This is a Word of Hope for the people who long for it.

All: Thanks be to the Living Word.

HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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SHARING THE KEY TO PEACE – SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

In the name of Jesus Christ, you can know healing.

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"Halle, Halle"

As the Easter Season Alleluia is sung, children are invited to gather at the front prior to The Flock's dismissal.

Halle, halle, halle-luya!

Halle, halle, halle-luya!

Halle, halle, halle-luya!

Halle-luya, halle-luya!

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

As the children depart, we offer them our blessing:

[Congregation]:

God's love be with you.

[Teachers and Children]:

And also with you.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 32:24-32 p.26

DEACON

GOSPEL READING

Mark 5: 24-34 p.816-817

DEACON

CHORAL ANTHEM

Walk with Me

Patrick Liebergen

SERMON

"Healed"

REV. TANYA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

DEACON

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.

OFFERING & PLEDGES—SHARING GOD'S GIFTS TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORLD

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* DOXOLOGY

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord.
The life laid down, the life restored;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness

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OUR COMMON COMMISSION

Let us now go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the faint-hearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

** Please stand if you are able.*

Thank you to our Church Council for providing refreshments for today's fellowship.

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IMPORTANT CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Need 15 Hosts For The Angel Choir - The Angel Choir, a group of talented young people from the First Presbyterian Church of Granville, OH, will be presenting a concert for us in June. We are responsible for housing the singers and chaperones for the night of the concert as well as providing them with breakfast and transportation back to the church the next morning. **We need about 15 hosts to accommodate the group (at least two per host – more if you can!). To sign up for hosting, please contact April Springfield at: aprilCspringfield@gmail.com.**



The Community Yard Sale and Church Bake Sale are Back! - Saturday, May 11, 9:00-12:00, Church Parking Lot. Volunteers Needed! Questions or Willing to Help? Please contact Carol at FandH@hollischurch.org or 603-860-2178. This is a church fundraiser to benefit the local community food

boxes. For more information, please go to <https://hollischurch.org/community-yard-sale-and-bake-sale/>

Regular Church Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am–12:00 pm. The office is closed on Mondays.

- Church office phone number 603-465-7797
- Email: admin@hollischurch.org & churchoffice@hollischurch.org .
- *Please allow one to two church business days for a response.*

For more information on church news and events, please refer to the Chimes Newsletter.

- Go to <https://hollischurch.org/news/chimes/> to view the latest electronic version of the Chimes Newsletter.