

WE GO FORTH

We Go to Nurture With Love

announcements

* **Closing Hymn** *Christ is Risen* #307

* **Benediction**

Go forth into the world, looking for love in all the right places!

We will look for signs of Love, we will be acts of Love, we will show the world that Love Always Wins!¹

We go, to live and love, to laugh and serve our God. Amen

* **Sung Response** *Go Now in Peace* #665

* **Postlude**

*Please stand in body of in spirit.

¹Marcia McFee ²Carol Penner ³Joanna Harader

WE GO TO SHARE LOVE

Eagle Grove Council meets **Tue, April 11, at 5:30pm**

Wed, April 12, 3:30-5pm After school for elementary and middlers

5-7pm Confirmation

Sat, April 15, 7am Methodist Men meet at Family Table

Next **Sunday, April 16**, our confirmands will lead morning worship at BOTH church, at their regular times.

Sunday, April 23, 10am, we will have a JOINT service at Eagle Grove UMC for Camp Sunday.

Plan to meet and greet Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai
Sat, April 22, 3:30-5pm, at 1st UMC, Ft Dodge.

Christ is Risen, Indeed!



Easter Worship, 2023

Eagle Grove United Methodist Church
Goldfield United Methodist Church

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WE GATHER

Welcome

Prelude and Bringing in the Light and the Lilies

The Story Begins

John 20: 1-11

Our Response in Prayer¹

Holy and Merciful One... Love is here, Life is here.

Arise, as I am arisen!"

We open our hearts, our minds, our souls, our vision to the ways of love created by God, embodied in Jesus, and already moving in us by the Spirit. We are forgiven, loved, and freed! Alleluia! Amen!

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed!

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed! AMEN.

***Opening Hymn** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* #302

WE PROCLAIM

Children's Time

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

(The Message, adapted¹)

Follow on the screen. You will answer as the reader suggests.

Tell the world, people, "God's love never quits."

God's love never quits!

Tell the world, people, "Love always wins!"

Love always wins!

The Gospel Continues

John 20:12-18

Reflection

Pastor Alaire

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Jesus

#895

Offering Our Tithes, Gifts, Lenten Giving and Ourselves

*** Doxology**

#95

***Dedication of our Giving**

God of great gifts: This morning we give you praise, we give you glory, we give you thanks!

With resurrection humming in our hearts, our minds are tuned to your song of peace! We joyfully present these gifts to you, a tangible chorus of thanksgiving, a harmony of hope for your kingdom come! Amen.²

Sacrament of Communion

The Lord's Table is open to all who wish to come, receive and go and follow. You will come via the center aisle, and then return by the side aisles, following the direction of the usher. You may stop at the communion rail for prayer, if you wish.

The cup is white grape juice; gluten-free bread is available. If you wish to have the elements brought to you, let the usher know.

All the liturgy³ will be on the screen. Please join in the bold.

Prayer after Communion

Holy, gracious, God, here at this table your promise of life is made tangible. **We have rested in the depth of your love; We have tasted your nourishing, nurturing presence; We accept you into our bodies, into our lives. Together, at this table, you have offered us life. Together, by your grace, we accept the life you offer. And we give you thanks.³ Amen**