

Song Texts

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing*

1. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!  
 Now is the triumph of our King!  
 To all the world glad news we bring:  
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

2. The Lord of Life is risen today!  
 Bring flowers of song to strew His way:  
 Let all the earth rejoice and say:  
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. Praise we in songs of victory  
 That love, that life which cannot die,  
 And sing with hearts uplifted high:  
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

4. Thy Name we bless, O risen Lord,  
 And sing today with one accord  
 The life laid down, the life restored:  
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Zion's Walls*

Come fathers and mothers,  
 Come sisters and brothers,  
 Come join us in singing the praises of Zion.  
 O fathers, don't you feel determined  
 To meet within the walls of Zion?  
 We'll shout and go round  
 The walls of Zion.

**10:00 a.m. Worship Service Preview for Sunday, April 15, 2018**

Rev. Bill Trump presents the message.

Dr. Patrick Dill directs the FCC Choir / Rhonda Kwiecien - Keyboard Musician

*Are you new to our church? If you are interested in sharing your contact information with us, please fill out a bright yellow card found in the racks of the pews. Then either give it to one of the ministers or drop it in the offertory plate. Thank you for joining us today!*

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*Founded as an extension of the mission of the First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa, the Congregational Home, creates and maintains a caring community for the elderly offering housing, health care and quality of life services.*

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*Our Covenant*

As followers of Jesus Christ,  
 we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God,  
 to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith,  
 to reach out with compassion to those in need,  
 to treat each other with love and understanding,  
 and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

Sunday, April 8, 2018 ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter  
 10:00 AM - Worship in the Nave

*If you are a guest this Sunday, we would love to greet you!  
 Following the service is a Coffee Fellowship in the Friendship Lounge, please join us.  
 Please silence your cell phones.*

TOWER BELLS

THE PRELUDE

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Op. 9 No. 7  
 Rhonda Kwiecien ~ Keyboard Musician*

Michael Bedford

WELCOME AND THE GREETING OF PEACE

Rev. Dr. Barry W. Szymanski

CHIMES

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Scott Rondeau

Leader: Our hearts are glad, and our souls rejoice.

People: **We rest secure.**

Leader: You, Lord, show us the path of life.

People: **In your presence there is fullness of joy. Alleluia.**

- from Psalm 16

\*HYMN 196

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN

\*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION (unison)

God of new and everlasting life, we, your people, come before you in praise, and in thanksgiving, for you are always by our side. You show us the path of life. We bless your holy name. We need the help of your Holy Spirit to accept the great and wondrous gift of your resurrection. Rescue us from our doubts and restore us in faith. Fill us with your Spirit that we may rejoice in the truth of Jesus' resurrection and, with fullness of joy, proclaim that truth to a world in need of your good news. Hear us, O God, as we pray in the Name of Him who died and rose again, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 558)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

CHILDREN'S STORY

Rev. Barry

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.

*All children ages 3 – 5th grade and youth in grades 6th through 12th are invited to meet in the Social Hall for a large group activity.*

LESSONS

John 20:19-31  
1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Bible, pg. 989  
Bible, pg. 1048

ANTHEM

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing*  
*Dr. Patrick Dill conducts the FCC Choir*

Vulpius/arr. Johnson

THE MESSAGE

The Rope of Life

Rev. Barry

\*HYMN 227

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

THE CALL TO PRAYER and TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

THE OFFERTORY

*Zion's Walls*  
*Dr. Patrick Dill - baritone*

Aaron Copeland

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 563)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 489

*We Walk by Faith*

\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

*Toccata on "Palestrina"*

arr. by Gordon Young

\*Indicates where the congregation is asked to stand, if able.

### CARE FOR CHILDREN

A supervised nursery is available for infants and toddlers during the worship service.

*The Chancel Flowers are given by Butch & Jane Boyd in loving memory of their son, Blake Alden Boyd, on the anniversary of his birth.*

### Caring Corner

#### RECOVERING

*Virginia McClellan* ~ CareAge in Brookfield

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of *Cynthia, Kevin & Camille Kostick* with the passing of Cynthia's father, Edward Byers Buxton, on March 27, 2018. Cynthia has been a long-time member of the FCC Choir.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

*Mabel Colleen Raddemann* was born on March 22, 2018 to Tori and Kurt Raddemann.

*Zyla Kathleen Christine Waite* was born on February 27, 2018 to Melinda & Jon Waite. Melinda is the daughter of Rachael VerDuin and the late Jim VerDuin.