



The Dover Church
 Sunday, April 20, 2025 - 9:00 and 11:00 AM
 Easter Sunday

Welcome to The Dover Church. Sunday morning worship is perhaps the only occasion where people of all generations spend time together in the same public place. This is one of our great joys. Different ages worship in different ways. Some are bouncy and some are silent. We ask that everyone welcome each other and embrace these differences.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Canzon A 4

Giovanni Gabrielli

GREETING

All are invited to join in speaking or singing when bolded words appear.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise God, who brings life out of death and hope out of despair.

People: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ from the dead.

Praise God, who gathers up the fragments left by our human destruction and creates new possibilities.

Christ has risen!

Christ has risen indeed!

Alleluia!

HYMN OF ADORATION

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Leader: O Christ, in your resurrection,

People: the heavens and earth rejoice. Alleluia!

By your resurrection, you broke open the gates of hell and destroyed sin and death.

Keep us victorious over sin and death!

By your resurrection, you raised the dead and brought us from death to life.

Guide us in the way of eternal life.

By your resurrection, you confounded your guards and executioners and filled the disciples with joy.

Fill us with that joy today and always.

By your resurrection, you proclaimed good news to the women and apostles and brought salvation to the whole world.

Direct our lives as your new creation.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. From the grips of death you raise us with him and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Christ our Lord, who lives in love with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Alleluia, Amen.

SOLO

The Trumpet Shall Sound (Messiah)
Ian Greenlaw

G.F. Handel

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOD'S WORD FOR US

THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

Luke 24: 1-12

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

ACT OF PRAISE

Three Days

See insert

AN EASTER SERMON

HALLELUJAH!

George Frederick Handel

Please remain seated during the Hallelujah

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

THE OFFERING

RECEPTION OF OUR GIFTS

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

AN EASTER PRAYER

**The Lord be with you.
And also with you.**

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

RESPONSE

God loves you and there's nothing you can do about it.

God loves you and there's nothing you can do about it.

EXCHANGING SIGNS OF PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

HYMN OF PARTING

Thine is the Glory

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COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN GREAT APPRECIATION OF

WESTELL NORMAN

96 YEAR OLD FATHER OF LINDA HAIN.

*Following the 9 AM service, there will be
a children's **Easter egg hunt** in Taylor garden
and an **Easter brunch** for all in Kraft Hall.*

LAY LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

DEACON ON DUTY **9:00AM:** Liesl Schultze

USHER: Ham Hackney

DEACON ON DUTY **11:00AM:** Connie Sweeney

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THE DOVER CHURCH IS AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING
CONGREGATION IN THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST.

*The Easter Flowers placed throughout the Meeting House today
have been given to the glory of God and:*

In Loving Memory of
my Mom & Dad,
Joseph & Winnie Katchuk,
given by Toni Jo Richards

In Honor of
my grandchildren,
Penelope & Henry,
given by Toni Jo Richards

In Loving Memory of
my sister, **Sonya**
given by Toni Jo Richards

In Loving Memory of
my cousin, **Jackie**
given by Toni Jo Richards

In Loving Memory of
Curt Parker
given by The McOsker Family

In Loving Memory of
my nephew, **David Robbins**
given by Toni Jo Richards

In Honor of
our son, **Ryan** and his wife, **Carolina**
given by Laury and Jack Hunt

In Honor of
our daughter, **Shannon**, her husband,
Ben, and our grandchildren, **Bee and**
Everett.
given by Laury and Jack Hunt

In Loving Memory of
our parents, **Newton and Christine**
Thompson, John and Catherine
Cummings
given by Newton & Kathy Thompson

In Honor of
Philip Thompson and Emily Pitkin
in celebration of their recent marriage
given by Newton & Kathy Thompson

In Loving Memory of
Aunt Dottie Donato
given by Newton & Kathy Thompson

In Appreciation of
our children
given by Tom and Carolyn Develin

In Loving Memory of
my Mom, **Betsy Gleason**
given by Nancy Simms

In Honor of
my Dad, **Bob Gleason**
given by Nancy Simms

In Appreciation of
**Robert, Caroline, Elizabeth, and
Catherine**
given by Nancy Simms

In Appreciation of
my very dear family
given by Nancy Mackay

In Loving Memory of
Ruth and Howard Boehret
given by David & Carol Patey

In Loving Memory of
Alan Williams
given by Shirley, Wendy & Tina

In Loving Memory of
Adrienne Hain
given by Bruce, Linda, Kaylee & Ella

In Loving Memory of
Lloyd Hain
given by Bruce, Linda, Kaylee & Ella

In Loving Memory of
Rose Hain
given by Bruce, Linda, Kaylee & Ella

In Loving Memory of
Evelyn Norman
given by Bruce, Linda, Kaylee & Ella

In Honor of
Wes Norman
given by Bruce, Linda, Kaylee & Ella

In Loving Memory of
Joy Long
given by Charlie Long

In Loving Memory of
Linda Foehl
given by Charlie Long

In Loving Memory of
Sungok Chang
given by George Hong

In Joyful Anticipation of
the wedding of my granddaughter,
Katie and Anthony
given by Jane Moore

In Loving Memory of
Gail Seed
given by Anne Robb

In Loving Memory of
Nancy Herndon
given by Anne Robb

In Loving Memory of
Elizabeth Boles Gutterson
given by The Lynch Family

In Loving Memory of
our parents; **Helen and Nels Nelson,**
Millie and Bob Pettit
given by Linda & Bo Pettit

In Honor of
our grandkids; **Brady, Anna, Declan,**
Nathan, Zach, Layla and Violet
given by Farmor & Farfar/Mormor &
Morfar

In Loving Memory of
Suzanne and H. Bowen White
given by Gina & Steve White

In Loving Memory of
David A. Nass, Sr.
given by Beth & Mike Benjamin

In Loving Memory of
David A. Nass, Jr.
given by Beth & Mike Benjamin

In Loving Memory of
Henrietta C. Nass
given by Beth & Mike Benjamin

In Loving Memory of
Bob Benjamin
given by Beth & Mike Benjamin

In Loving Memory of
Ann Lyness
given by Beth & Mike Benjamin

In Loving Memory of
Dr. Robert Abernethy
given by Caroline Abernethy

In Loving Memory of
Mackey Abernethy
given by Caroline Abernethy

In Loving Memory of
Mary Louise and Dick Leeds
given by Wendy & Tom Leeds

In Loving Memory of
Shirley Buck
given by Wendy & Tom Leeds

In Loving Memory of
my dear sister, **Cassandra**
given by Mikayla Williams

In Loving Memory of
Gloria and Karl Karlson
given by Beth and Steve Karlson

In Loving Memory of
my parents, **Myrtle and Louis**
given by Joan Parsons

In Loving Memory of
Janet L. Wood
given by Beth and Steve Karlson

In Loving Memory of
my sister, **Anita Pearson**
given by Joan Parsons

In Appreciation of
The Dover Church Staff
given by Joan Wood

In Honor of
our children and grandchildren
given by Sandra & Robert Boynton

In Loving Memory of
Andrew Niblock
given by Judy & Tom Niblock

In Honor of
the kindness of TDC ministers & staff
given by Sandra & Robert Boynton

In Loving Memory of
my beloved husband, **Alan**
given by Dottie Rother

In Loving Memory of
my dear brother, **Phil** and
my dear sister, **Glenda**
given by Dottie Rother