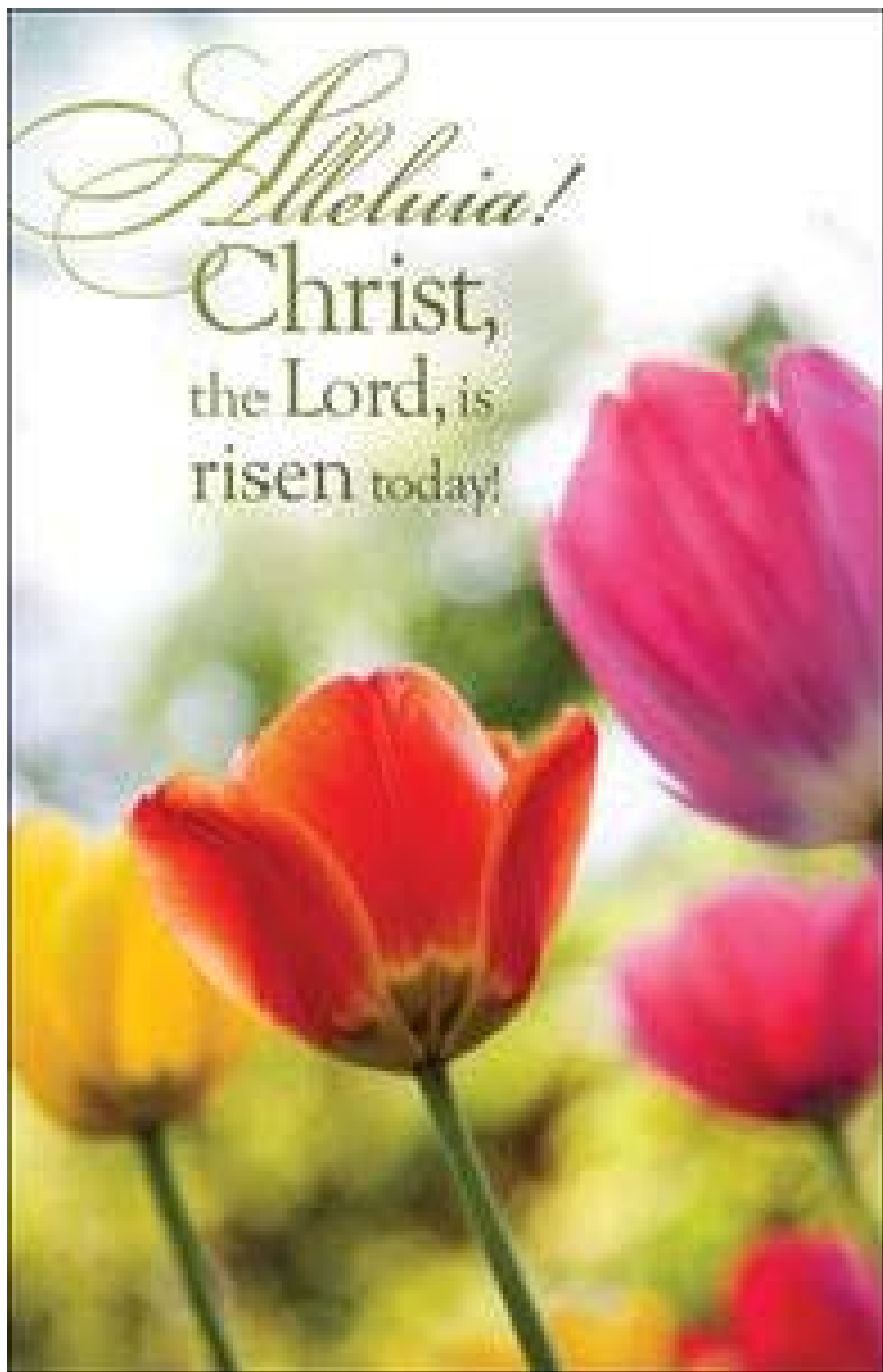


*Alleluia!*  
Christ,  
the Lord, is  
risen today!



*As a covenant community we are committed to the belief that all people are created equal before God. In affirmation of the inclusive love of Christ Jesus, we welcome persons of any race, gender, age, sexual orientation, ability and economic circumstance to full participation in our community life and ministry. We strive to reflect these beliefs in the language and content of our worship and in our lives together.*



**EASTER SUNDAY**

Sunday, April 20, 2014

9/11:15am

*All children are welcome to stay in worship. Coloring materials are available from the ushers. At the 9am service only, childcare is available for kids under age 6 in the preschool room downstairs.*

*After the 9am service, join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Toddlers meet in the reception room (and will hunt on the lawn behind the church). PreK, K and 1st graders meet in the library (and hunt on the playground). 2nd-5th graders meet in the chapel (and will hunt on the front lawn.) The hunt will not begin until the rules are read to the children in their meeting areas.*

**PRELUDE**

Concerto No. 2

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Phil Gotwals, horn (9:00 am)

Impromptu No. 3 in G flat Major

D899, op. 90

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Soomi Lee Lowry, piano

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Peter Atallah (9am)

Jamie Klopotoski (11:15am)

Leader: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

**People: Christ is Risen, indeed.**

Leader: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true.  
Christ is risen.

**People: Christ is Risen, indeed.**

Leader: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen  
Lord is with us now and always. Christ is risen.

**People: Christ is Risen, indeed. Thanks be to God!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #233 (NCH) Christ the Lord is Risen Today**

## **OPENING PRAYER**

### *Call to Prayer*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader Let us pray.

### *Unison Prayer*

**O God of all our days, we come this morning with eager  
anticipation. We seek to know you, to see you, to touch you.  
Open our hearts, that we might experience you anew.  
Open our lives, that we may be faithful witnesses to your  
resurrection.**

**May we, with shouts of joy, proclaim your steadfast, liberating  
love to all people everywhere. Embrace us as we pray...**

### *Silent Prayer*

### *Lord's Prayer*

### *Prayer Response*

**CHILDREN'S TIME (9 am only)**

**Jamie Klopotoski**

## **ANTHEM**

Blessed be the God and Father  
*Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)*  
*Composed for Easter Sunday services*  
*at Hereford Cathedral, England (1833)*

Beth Sterling, soprano  
Valerie J. Becker, conducting

SERMON “Most Famous Words to Live by” Heike Werder

MORNING PRAYER

*Concerns and Celebrations*

*Call to Prayer*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Leader: O Lord, show your mercy upon us.

**People: And grant us your salvation.**

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**People: And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Leader: Let us pray.

*Pastoral Prayer*

*Congregational Response*

**Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

**OFFERTORY**

*Anthem*

Sanctus from Requiem  
*Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)*  
David Darmofal, piano  
Valerie J. Becker, conducting

*\*Doxology*     **Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication*

**\*CLOSING HYMN #231 (NCH)**

**Because You Live, O Christ**

**BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

This Joyful Eastertide  
*Charles Wood*

**POSTLUDE**

Rigaudon  
*André Campra (1660-1744)*

***\*You are invited to stand.***

- Welcome to all who are here for the first time. Please fill out the blue “Welcome” card in the pews to receive weekly emails or newsletters.
- Please turn off your cell phone before attending the service.
- Please ask an usher if you would like a copy of the sermon, or need a hearing device. Copies of the sermons are also available on the sermon link at [www.needhamucc.org](http://www.needhamucc.org), our church website.

*Worship Leader:* Peter Atallah (9:00am)

Jamie Klopotoski (11:15am)

*Deacons:* Fred Moder, Peter Atallah (9:00am)

Fabienne Madsen, Connie Kaufman (11:15am)

*Ushers:* Frank Arren, Bob Everts, Nancy Lane, (9:00am)

Chris Nyland, Eric Slosser

Jim Conroy, Janet Jankowiak, Michael Normile(11:15am)

*Altar Guild:* Sherrill Salisbury (9:00am)

Lee McNally (11:15am)

*Flowers:* The Flower Committee

***The Ministers and the Church Staff wish you and your family  
a Blessed Easter.***

# EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

<i>In Memory of:</i>	<i>Given By:</i>
The Edman, Roadman and Hughes Families Andy and Marge Kokko	Bill & Mary Lou E. Hughes By their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren
Loved Ones	Donald and Karin MacPhee
Our Loved Ones	Blair & Debbie Wentworth
Grace and George Miller	Carol Miller
Capt. Martin J. Twite USN, Cdr. Charles P. Gabeler Jr. USN, MCPO James Sensbach USN	A Shipmate
Rev. & Mrs. Robert H. Davis	Jeannette Davis
Robert Andrews	Jean Andrews
Virginia Marie Floyd	Janet Floyd Rubenstein
George and Emily Drescher	Doris Cook
Mildred and Lester McIntosh & Joyce Fieldsteel	Maggie and John Fieldsteel
Rudolf & Alma Stam and Edwin & Dorothy Campbell	Nancy & Peter Stam
In loving memory of parents/grandparents	Cheryl and Barbara Doe
Joseph and Beatrice Downs	Robert M. Eaton
Walter R. Van Hoek	From his Family
Our Parents	Frank & Chris Arren
Remembering Lisa Pany, the sister I never met, yet carry in my heart	Anne Hayek

<i>In Honor of:</i>	<i>Given By:</i>
In honor of Charlie, Ginnie, and Mike, Chet and Robena	Lynn and Dave Rhoads
In Honor of the Walker School Children	Cullen Family

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EASTER EGG HUNT** - The Jr. and Sr. High youth are hosting a church-wide Easter Egg hunt at **10am**. Toddlers will meet in the reception room and will hunt on the lawn behind the church. PreK, K and 1st graders meet in the library and hunt on the playground. 2nd-5th graders meet in the chapel and hunt on the front lawn. (In the event of rain, the hunt will be held indoors.) The hunt will not begin until the rules are read to the children in their meeting areas.

This is a fun annual event and a great way for the youth to give back to the church for all the funds and support they are given for the Mission trip and other events!

### **Organ Appreciation 101 Wednesday, April 23, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary.**

Join the Friendly Society for a fun and light-hearted presentation/performance about and on the organ by Bobby DeRegis, our Director of Music Ministries. Did you know he wears special shoes? What are all those knobs and extra keyboards for? How many pipes does our organ have? How many sounds can an organ make? All those questions and more will no doubt be answered. And we have refreshments, too! Contact: Joanne Seiden (781-449-6535; [jseiden@basiclink.com](mailto:jseiden@basiclink.com))

**Men's Breakfast, Sunday April 27** [*Note change of date due to Easter*]. The Men's Breakfast brings men of all ages and persuasions together once a month before worship in honest and lively discussion touching our faith and our lives in today's complex world. We get together in the Library on the third Sunday of the month and enjoy breakfast fare provided by volunteers. We have always welcomed men of all ages and can always accommodate those with scheduling challenges. Arrive at 8:15 AM for fellowship and breakfast or by 9:00 AM for the discussion. On April 27, we will address the April worship theme of "Transformation" by discussing how we use our Christian faith in the 21<sup>st</sup> century to address changes in our lives and those of others. Contact Keith McClelland ([kmmlkm@rcn.com](mailto:kmmlkm@rcn.com)) for more information.

### **Outreach: Church-wide Hunger Relief Events**

As a follow-up to last week's Hunger lunch & learn, a series of opportunities have been coordinated for you by the Outreach Committee to learn more about the issue of hunger and to actively make a difference. Activities are appropriate for all ages - there's something for everyone!

**\*Lunch and a Movie:** The award-winning PBS film "A Place at the Table" with Jeff Bridges will be shown after service on **Sunday, April**

**27th.** Follow the journey of food insecurity and the serious implications that hunger poses in America. Lunch will be served.

**\* Volunteer opportunity:** A 2nd annual volunteer effort at Pilgrim Church in Dorchester is planned for **Saturday, May 3 from 9:00am-2:00pm.** Families (ages 8+) and individuals will carpool to Pilgrim Church to help prepare and serve a free mid-day meal to in-need members of the community. Please sign up near Heike's office.

**\* Can drive:** Over the course of May, this year's Confirmation Class will be leading a can drive ending on Youth Sunday, June 1st, as food pantries are most in-need of donations during non-holiday periods. Please help add to the collection boxes!

**Gabriel Fauré's Requiem-** Our Chancel Choir will be performing Gabriel Fauré's Requiem with the Canton Choral Society on **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00PM at the Congregational Church.** This is a wonderful opportunity to hear some beautiful choral music.

**Guatemala Yard Sale, Sat. May 17, 9am - 2 pm, at Caryl and Dave Johnson's (505 Great Plain Ave.):** Save the Date and your Donations! Items Wanted: Household goods, children's toys/games/equipment, sports equipment, bicycles, electronics, collectibles, jewelry, books/DVD's, tools, small furniture, lawn furniture, etc. (no clothing, TV's or computers/monitors). Drop-Offs begin 5:00 pm, Sunday, May 11. Workers Needed: Contact Brenda Metzler: [bmetzler7@verizon.net](mailto:bmetzler7@verizon.net).

**Bible Study - Sunday Group-** Join us in the Reception Room at 11:30am. Newcomers are welcome! Contact Sunu Yeh for more information- [dormouse99@gmail.com](mailto:dormouse99@gmail.com).

**Thursday 10:30am Group-** Contact Christine Weitzel for information [cweitzel@verizon.net](mailto:cweitzel@verizon.net)

***\*Guatemala Serv-a-thon Appreciation:*** *Many thanks to all who sponsored a worker at the recent community-service fundraiser for the Guatemala Partnership. Two enthusiastic teams of adult and youth volunteers tackled a variety of small projects at the church and some major spring preparations at the Needham Community Farm (filling 7 huge raised beds with leaf compost and soil for spring planting). Funds raised will support scholarships and teacher salaries in Santa Maria Tzeja.*



## *CALENDAR April 20-May3*

<b>Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup></b>	8:15 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i> 9:00 am Easter Worship 1 <sup>st</sup> Service, <i>Sanctuary</i> 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt All Children 11:15 am Easter Worship 2 <sup>nd</sup> Service, <i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>Monday April 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Office Closed!  7:30 pm Immigration Task Force, <i>Library</i>
<b>Tuesday April 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	8:30 am Vacation Bible School
<b>Wednesday April 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	8:30 am Vacation Bible School 7:30 pm Organ Appreciation 101, <i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 am Vacation Bible School 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>
<b>Friday April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 am Vacation Bible School
<b>Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup></b>	8:15 am Men's Breakfast & Discussion, <i>Library</i> 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i> 9:15 am Joyful Noise Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i> 10:00 am Worship Service, <i>Sanctuary</i> 11:30 am Outreach Hunger Lunch & Movie Hallelujah Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i> Bible Study, <i>Conference Room</i>  12:00 pm Shepherd's Staff Choir Rehearsal, <i>ChoirRm</i> 5:00 pm JH Youth Group 7:00 pm SH Youth Group
<b>Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 am Cancer Support Group, <i>Reception Room</i> 6:00 pm Confirmation Class, <i>Linden Hall</i>
<b>Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 pm Christian Education Committee, <i>Conference Room</i>
<b>Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	10:30 am Bible Study, <i>Reception Room</i> 12:00 pm Lunch with Heike, <i>Library</i> 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>
<b>Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	7:00 pm Gabriel Fauré's Requiem, <i>Sanctuary</i>

# FAURÉ'S REQUIEM & CANTIQUE DE JEAN RACINE

SATURDAY, MAY 3RD  
7:00PM

Presented by the Chancel Choir of the Congregational Church of Needham and the Canton Choral Society at the Congregational Church of Needham. Free will offering.



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