

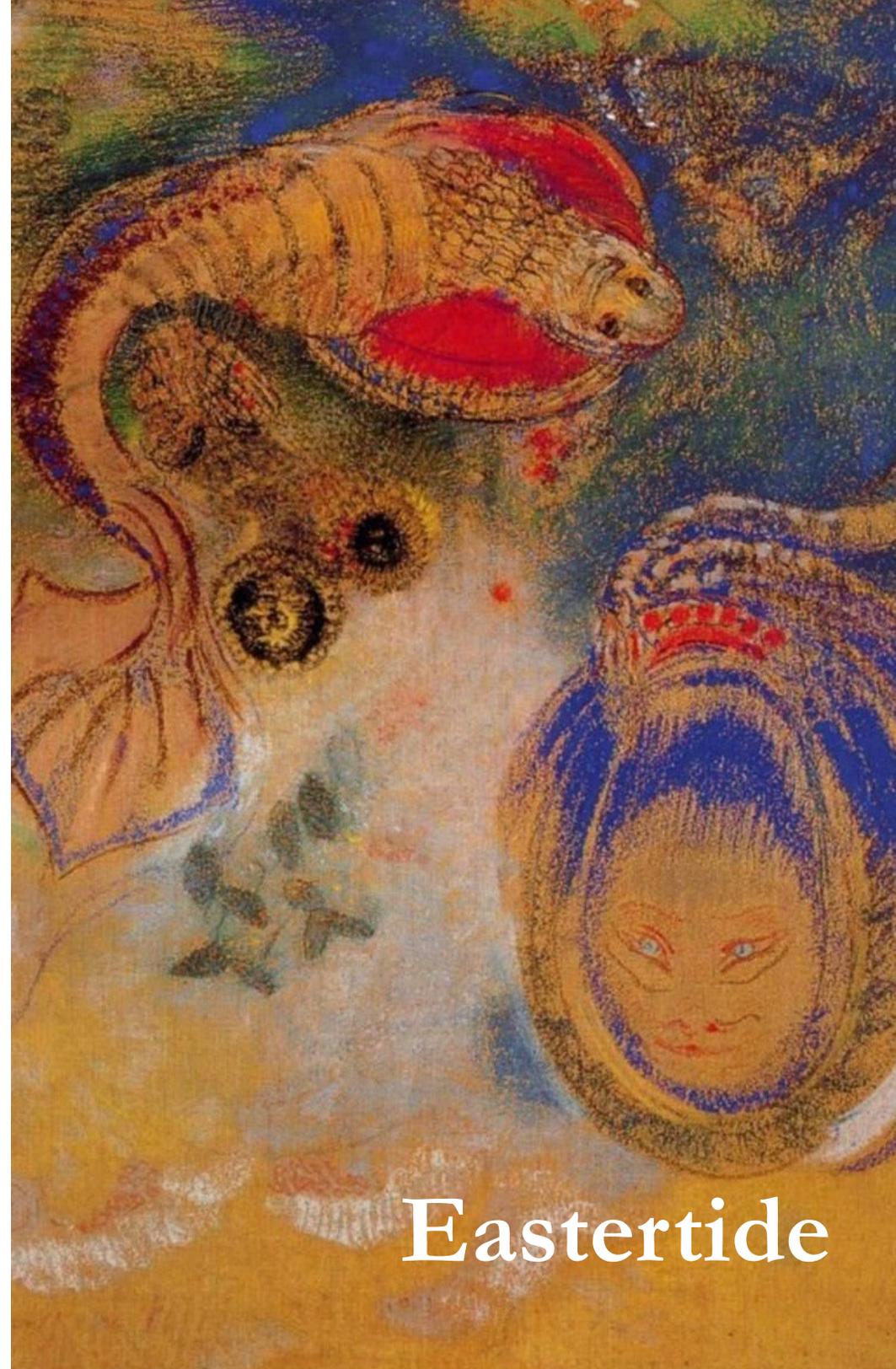
We are an imperfect community striving to live into the beautiful story of God in our wonderful yet broken city. We invite you to join us as we seek God's glory and neighbor's good together!

## WORSHIP NOTES:

- Welcome! If you would like to find out more about our community or speak with one of the pastors, text WELCOME to 773.645.9335 or email Pastor Aaron ([aaron@rescov.org](mailto:aaron@rescov.org)). We'd love to connect with you.
- Children are welcomed and encouraged to join us in the worship service. We provide a nursery for infants on the main floor and childcare for toddlers in the basement for the duration of worship.
  - Pre-K Activities: Following the Passing of the Peace, Pre-school through Kindergarten aged children are invited to line up in the Narthex for class lasting until communion.
- During the season of Easter, it is traditional to sing a Gospel acclamation that employs the Easter cry, "Hallelujah!" This year at ResCov, we will be using an Alleluia from the Palestinian Christian community as a way to lift up their stories and pray for the peace of all of our siblings in the Holy Land.
- During the season of Easter, the Gospel is read from the middle of the sanctuary, reminding us that Christ died and was raised in the midst of us that we might be saved. As a symbol of our response to the risen Christ, we turn to face the Gospel during its reading.
- "Hallelujah Hallelujah" (our first song) is a song that was written by Zimbabwean Abraham Maraire and arranged by Patrick Matsikenyiri. As Christian music expert Michael Hawn has noted, Matsikenyiri "is one of the most important figures in the dissemination of African Christian song in the last 30 years."
- The bulletin art is entitled "Animals at the Bottom of the Sea" by French symbolist painter Odilon Redon.



Aaron Johnson, Dave Bjorlin, Jen Gillan, and  
Kyle Mecher serve as our pastors.



# Eastertide

## GATHERING

## Call to Worship\*

Praise the LORD!

**Praise the LORD in the heavens;  
praise God in the heights!**

Praise God, sun and moon;

Praise God, all you shining stars!

**Praise God, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!**

Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all the deep,

**fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling God's command.**

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**Wild animals and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds!**

Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!

**Praise the LORD!**

*-adapted from Ps. 148*

## Songs of Faith and Praise\*

*Hallelujah Hallelujah*

*When I Think About the Lord*

## Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,  
our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.  
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,  
what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.  
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
and grant us grace to grow  
more and more in your likeness and image;  
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

~silent confession~

## Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## Passing of the Peace\*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Song\*

*What the Lord Has Done in Me*

## WORD

Epistle Lesson

Acts 11:1-18

Gospel Acclamation\*

*Palestinian Alleluia*

Gospel Lesson\*

John 13:31-35

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon

*On Peter and Piaget*

Pastor Dave

## RESPONSE

Hymn\*

*Change My Heart, O God (#372)*

Prayers of the People

Lord's prayer (*debts, debtors*)

Offering

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.***

Holy Communion

## SENDING

Life Together

Charge & Benediction\*

\*Stand, as you are able