

April 16, 2017

6:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday Sunrise

*We welcome you on this glorious morning of our Lord's Resurrection.
May his Peace and Love be with you always.*

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body.

Luke 24: 1-3, NRSV

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have died.

People: **Death has been swallowed up in victory.**

Leader: Where, O death, is your victory?

People: **Where, O death, is your sting?**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Opening Song

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

vs. 1-4

*Congregational Prayer

**Almighty God,
through Jesus Christ you overcame death
and opened to us the gate of everlasting life.**

**Grant that we,
who celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection,
may, by the renewing of your Spirit,
arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Song

Thine Be the Glory

vs. 1-3

Scripture

Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not

here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

A Time of Sharing

*Song

He Lives

vs. 1 & 3

Scripture

Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Message

Be not afraid, I am with you

Dr. Jonathan Wilson

Lay Leader

*Closing Song

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

vs. 1,2 & 4

*Sending Forth

Pastor Cliff



**Please rise in posture or spirit*

Bold print: in unison



HOLY WEEK
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE

Thank you for joining us today.

We invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall
for a full, warm breakfast
immediately following the service.

We have our regular worship services at 10 a.m.
Sunday School for all ages is at 9 a.m.

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