

Welcome and Announcements

Laurie White

L: Christ is risen!

P: He is risen indeed!

A Scripture Reading

John 20:1-18

L: This is the Liberating Easter Word of God for all the people of God!

P: Thanks be to God!

L: Please stand as you are able for our processional hymn!

*Processional Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

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**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**

**Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia! Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia! Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!**

**King of glory, soul of bliss, Alleluia! Everlasting life is this, Alleluia!
Thee to know, thy power to prove, Alleluia! Thus to sing, and thus to love, Alleluia!**

*Morning Prayer (Unison)

Holy One, Justice-Seeker, Lover of Creation! You are the restorer of life, the conqueror of all that is death-dealing in our hearts and in this world. Come and dance with us, dazzle us with your brilliance, move us to wakefulness – so that we can be risen with Christ and in Christ. Be with us now, we pray. Amen.

* Affirming the Peace Among Us (Pastor will lead)

L: The peace of the risen Christ is with you!

P: And also with you!

Song

“Dare to Dance Again”

Elizabeth Tombouljian

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**Dare to dance with dreamers, sing their song,
Dare to dance their stories, sing out strong.
Dare to dance with freedom your whole life long,
Dare to dance again!**

Children's Moments

Ellen White

First Reading

from Psalm 118

L: I thank you, ADONAI, for your goodness!
P: Your steadfast love is everlasting!
L: Let Israel now proclaim:
P: “Your steadfast love is everlasting!”
L: Let the House of Aaron now proclaim:
P: “Your steadfast love is everlasting!”
L: Let those who revere ADONAI now proclaim:
P: “Your steadfast love is everlasting!”
L: In anguish, I cried to you, ADONAI,
P: and you answered me with freedom.
L: Because ADONAI is with me,
P: I am not afraid – what can anyone do to me?
L: God is my strength and my song;
P: God has become my salvation!
L: Raise shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the upright
P: ADONAI’s right hand is doing mighty acts!
L: ADONAI’s right hand has triumphed;
P: ADONAI’s right hand is doing mighty acts!
L: This is the day ADONAI has made –
P: we will rejoice and be glad in it!
L: You are my God, and I thank you;
P: you are my God, and I exalt you.
L: Thank you for hearing me, for saving me.
P: Thank you, ADONAI, for your goodness; your steadfast love is everlasting.

Second Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

Anthem

“Easter Bells”

Canterbury Bells

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Message

“Dare to Dance Again”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

A Season of Prayer

Call to Prayer

“Alleluia!”

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

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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 to Prayer

“Alleluia!”

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I will praise Him! I will praise Him! I will praise Him! I will praise Him!

I will praise Him! I will praise Him! I will praise Him! I will praise Him!

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving
Song During Offering

Bonnie Loney, organist

“Thine Is the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son”

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***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)**

Mighty God of Resurrection Power: You offer us life that overcomes death, light that overcomes darkness, hope that overcomes our deepest despair! What response could we offer? Our tithes and gifts, yes; but our minds, hearts, bodies, and witness as well. May our minds be about understanding who you are and who you long for us to be in this world. May our hearts overflow with your love and compassion for the poor, the oppressed, and the forgotten. May our bodies dance us out of the tombs of isolation to engage our neighbors as sisters and brothers. May our witness be the “Alleluias!” we take with us to bring hope to everyone we meet! In the Risen Christ, we pray.

Hymn for Going Out

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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Grace Notes

Jaime Johnson, Violin ~ Bonnie Loney, Organ

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**when invited, please stand to sing verses 1 and 2*

**Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne,
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.**

***Blessing**

***Anthem “Hallelujah Chorus” Chancel Choir**
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