

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 27th, 2016

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

11:00 am

• *Please feel free to stand as you are able.*

### Prelude & Chimes

### Procession

### Welcome & Prayer of the Day *(please pass the friendship pad)*

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People:** *He is risen indeed!*

### Preparation for the Word

Leader: O Christ, in your resurrection, the heavens and the earth rejoice. Alleluia! By your resurrection you broke open the gates of hell, and destroyed sin and death.

**People:** *Keep us victorious over sin.*

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

**People:** *Guide us in the way of eternal life.*

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

**People:** *Give us joy in your service.*

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

**People:** *Direct our lives as your new creation.*

*(brief silence)*

Leader: 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 waters 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 and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

### Children's Sermon/Four Cents A Meal Offering

•Hymn 123

*"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"*

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

*Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.*

*Moment of Silent Confession*

**Kyrie 572** "Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**Assurance of Pardon** (Respond with Alleluia, Amen!)

•Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks #106 *(refrain)*

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to His Name.*

•The Peace

Leader: . . . The peace of Christ be with you all!

**People:** *And also with you.*

•Gloria Patri

*(page 579)*

### Proclamation of the Word

### Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture** Acts 10:34-43 *(page 119)*

Laura Barmore

Colossians 3:1-4 *(page 185)*

*So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

Luke 24:1-12 *(page 83)*

*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. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.*

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Anthem** "Because He Lives"

Adult Choir

**Homily** "An Idle Tale?"

Rev. J. David Shearer

### Response to the Word

•Apostles' Creed

•Hymn 108

*"Christ Is Alive!"*

### Announcements/Joys & Concerns

### Sacrament of Holy Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you,

**People:** *and also with you.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

**Sanctus Hymn 581 “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”**  
*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.*

**Response**  
Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:  
*People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

**Epiklesis, Intercession for the Church and World and The Lord’s Prayer**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion**

**Prayer after Communion**  
*Amen #583 - Amen. Amen. Amen.*

**The Offering of Tithes and Gifts**  
**Offertory**

- Doxology (#592)
- Prayer of Dedication

•Hymn 122 *“Thine Is the Glory”*

- Charge and Benediction
- Congregational Response  
*“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!” #113 (verse 1)*  
*“Christ the Lord is risen today!” Alleluia!*  
*All creation join to sing; Alleluia!*  
*Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!*  
*Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!*

**Postlude**  
  
*Thank you so much for worshipping with us today! We consider your presence with us a blessing from God. Do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor David or contact the Church Office with any questions you may have about our church!*

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