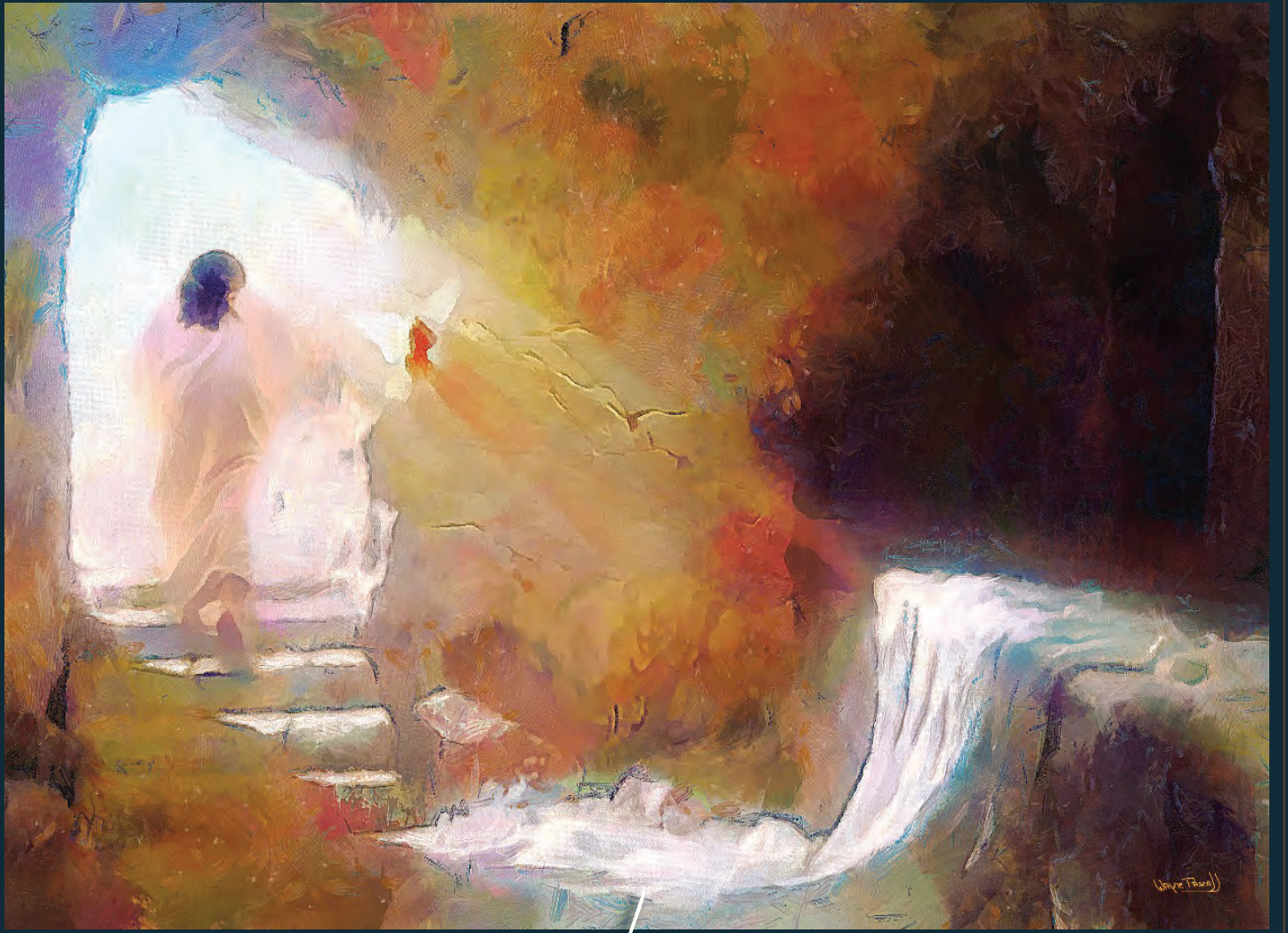


# EASTER SUNDAY



He is  
*Risen*

Mark 16:1-8



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## Order of Worship

March 31, 2024

Gathering Music

When Morning Gilds the Sky

J Payne

Prelude

Sanctus  
Chancel Choir

NL Norden

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high. Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Amy Morgan

Introit

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Kristal Bell Method

*All children are invited to the front to play the rainbow bells. Parents are welcome to assist younger children.*

\*Call to Worship

Rev. Melissa Kime-Hall

Christ our Lord is Risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Hymn

**Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**  
stanzas 1-4

**UMH 302**

*We invite children to stay in worship this Easter Sunday!*

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)

Rev. Kime-Hall

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Anthem

Capriccio  
Wesley Ringers

K McChesney

*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, for 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 and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me." – Matthew 28:1-10*

A Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Morgan

**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.**

Anthem Arise, My Soul, Arise D Forrest  
Chancel Choir

*Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears. The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears. Before the Throne, my Surety stands. My name is written on His hands. Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me: "Forgive them, O, forgive," they cry, "Nor let that ransomed sinner die." My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear; He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear; With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.*

New Testament Lesson 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Angela McDaniel  
The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn **Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise** **UMH 312**

Offertory Prayer Dr. Morgan  
**We give you thanks, most Holy God, for the gift of your Son, for the gift of salvation.**  
**Receive our gifts as a sign of our thanks for this most priceless offering. Amen.**

Offertory Anthem The Majesty and Glory of Your Name T Fettke  
Chancel Choir

*When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space. Oh what is man, that you are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor, and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. But what is man that you are mindful of him?*  
*O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens.*  
*O Lord, our God, little children praise you perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia.*

\*Doxology Lasst Uns Erfreuen  
**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 up lifts!**  
**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Gospel Lesson Mark 16:1-8 Dr. Beth LaRocca-Pitts  
The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **It's Not Complicated:** Dr. LaRocca-Pitts  
**Christ is Risen**

\*Hymn **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee** **UMH 89**  
*(All are invited to the chancel loft to join the choir for the choral response.)*

\*Benediction Dr. Morgan

\*Choral Response Hallelujah! from Messiah GF Handel  
Chancel Choir and Guests

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth, Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and of His Christ; And He shall reign forever and ever, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

**Our Pastors**

\*Postlude Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won! D Cherwien

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\*Congregation stand as able.

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10:45: Modern (Fellowship Hall)

**ONLINE:** 10:45 a.m. – Modern Worship

**ONLINE:** 11:00 a.m. – Traditional Worship.

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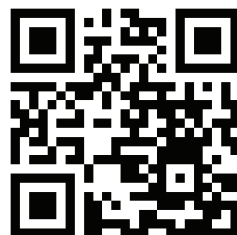
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