

For Prayer & Contemplation

“Christ has risen.’ Whoever believes that should not behave as we do.”
—*Czeslaw Milosz*

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude “Lift High the Cross” - arr. Callahan

Call to Worship

One: The stone has been rolled away!

**All: Shout for joy, God has the final word!
Sin and death no longer scare us,
for God’s love has conquered all!**

One: The tomb is empty! He is not here!

**All: There is nothing that God cannot do!
When we trust in God,
hope rises from the grave of despair.**

One: Come and see the place where he lay!
He is risen!

**All: Death, where is thy sting?
Where, O grave is your victory?**

One: Go and tell everyone the good news!

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

*Hymn No. 247 “Now the Green Blade Rises”

Prayer of Confession (*The Worship Sourcebook*)

**Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired;
new love where we have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded;
and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit where we make prisoners of
ourselves.**

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (*The Worship Sourcebook*)

One: To all and to each,
on his community and on his friends,
where regret is real,
Jesus pronounces his pardon
and grants us the right to begin again.
Thanks be to God!

All: Amen.

*Hymn No. 581 “Glory Be to the Father”

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen,
amen.”

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Anthem “He is Risen” - Cope - *Sanctuary Choir*

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Isaiah 65:17-25*

Old Testament PG 696, Large Print 851

2nd Reading: *Mark 16:1-8*

New Testament PG 54-55, Large Print 66-67

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Jesus is Loose” - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

Affirmation of Faith (*Apostle’s Creed*)

**I believe in God, the Father, almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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.**

*Hymn No. 244 “This Joyful Eastertide”

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606 “Praise God...All Blessings Flow”

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all
creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise
Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

*Unison Prayer of Dedication (*Written by Karin Ellis*)

**God of abundance, we offer these gifts to you in thanksgiving and
joy for the presence of the living Christ. May these gifts bring new
life to those both near and far. And may we offer ourselves in
service to you and to one another. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and
praise...

therefore we unite our voices in praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**All: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

The Prayers of the People

*Barbara, the family of Bernice, Ensign Family, the family of Chic, Christl,
Nick, Maryanne, Matt, Dawn, Signe and family, Dan, Maisy, Nic, Alyssa,
Patrick, Erin, Rhett, Jamie, Meg, Heather, Joanna, Dorothy, Sara, Jim,
David, Ted, William, Mimi, Rachael, Laura, Phyllis, Aaron, Douglas*

The Lord’s Prayer

**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 debts as we forgive
our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.**

Words of Institution *Rev. Drew Harrison*

The Sharing of the Supper

Prayer after Communion

**Holy, gracious God. We have been fed with your Word and filled
with your Spirit. Send us out to bear witness to your resurrection
happening among us and proclaim the good news that Christ has
risen. Amen.**

***Hymn No. 246** "Christ is Alive!"

***Benediction**

One: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the power of his resurrection.

All: Amen.

One: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

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One: Alleluia!

All: Amen.

***Benediction Hymn No. 232** (vs. 1) "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

"Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss.
Alleluia!"

Postlude "Fanfare" – Mathias

***** *Please stand as you are able.* *****

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Liturgist	Darlene Jacobson
Ushers	John Fitzpatrick, Renee Sheridan
Acolyte	Kendall Wichart
Coffee Hour Hosts	Invitation & Outreach Committee



Music Notes

Today's prelude is the opening processional from Charles Callahan's 1994 composition "Partita on Crucifer" (Lift High the Cross). The anthem was written in 1937 by British composer Cecil Cope. The postlude was composed in 1987 by Welsh composer William Mathias, CBE, who founded the North Wales International Music Festival in 1972 and conducted it until his death in 1992. We thank the Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.



<i>This Week's Calendar</i> April 17-24	
<i>Sunday</i> April 17	Easter Sunday 6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service – Pavilion, Alcyon Park 10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming
<i>Monday</i> April 18	
<i>Tuesday</i> April 19	5:30 PM 3 rd Meal Community Dinner – Social Hall
<i>Wednesday</i> April 20	10 AM Joy Circle – Agape Room 6:30 PM Sparrow Chorale – Music Room 7 PM Circle of Life – Church Library
<i>Thursday</i> April 21	7 PM Bell Choir Practice – Music Room 7 PM Christian Education Committee - Zoom 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<i>Friday</i> April 22	
<i>Saturday</i> April 23	
<i>Sunday</i> April 24	10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary/Livestreaming 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers Practice – Music Room 7 PM Ed Mitchell's Recital – Pitman Methodist



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10 AM Worship Service
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Resurrection of the Lord
Rev. Drew Harrison