



*Christ is risen!
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Easter Sunday
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Service of Worship

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Assemble in God's Name

Prelude

Fanfare

Soler

Greeting

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Introit

Sing Alleluia

Livingston

Call to Worship (Responsive Adapted from John 11:25-27)

Jesus Said: "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.

Hymn #113

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!" *Llanfair*

Prayer of Confession (Congregation)

Mighty God: by your power is Christ raised from death to rule this world with love. We confess that we have not believed in him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when your promised kingdom comes.

Amen.

Kyrie



Assurance of Pardon (Responsive)

Friends, never forget the promise of the gospel.

Because of Jesus Christ, we are worthy to be called the daughters and sons of God.

Gloria



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, Glo-ry be to the Son
and to the Ho-ly Ghost: As it was in the be-gin-ning, is
now and ev-er shall be, wor-ld with-out end. A-men.

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

O God, tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do to be proper disciples of Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Reading Acts 10:34-43

Anthem *Alleluia* Twardowski

Gospel Reading John 20:1-18

Sermon "I Have Seen the Lord"

Hymn #119

"The Strife Is O'er" *Victory*

The St. James Creed (Insert)

Give Thanks to God

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory *Regina Coeli* Twardowski

O Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia!

For He whom thou wast made worthy to bear, alleluia!

Hath risen again, as He said, alleluia!

Pray for us to God, alleluia!

Doxology *Duke Street*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

Gracious God, whose creative energy has filled all heaven and earth with good things for us to enjoy and share, we would honor you with our offerings. May the programs we initiate and the outreach we support bear fruits of justice and peace. Amen.

Go in God's Name

Hymn #108

“Christ Is Alive!” *Truro*

Charge and Benediction

Response (Gaelic Blessing)

May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your
back, May the sun shine warm up on your face, The rain fall soft up on your
fields, And un - til we meet a - gain, May God hold you, may God
hold you, hold you in the hol-low, hold you in the hol-low of God's
hand, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men,
A - men, A - men.

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Postlude

Mikrokosmos No. 122

Bartók

Announcements

We're glad you joined us for worship

If you're a visitor, please sign the guest book at the back of the sanctuary.

The Liturgist today is John Cameron.

Our Easter Flowers

Today's Flowers were donated by Afua and Thomas Akompong, Anna Ashcraft and Warren Johnson, Jan and John Cameron, Ruth Ann Francis and Jim Perluski, Betty McCoy, Barbara Pitts, Patti Relosky and Jim Chapman, Charlotte Whitley and Lee Lohman, Philip Seward.

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St. James Creed

I believe in a Creator God,
Who was before all else,
Was with us in the Flesh,
And who is with us in the Spirit;

In a God who created all people,
Women and men and all races,
To be free and equal;

In the Spirit of the risen Lord,
Empowering us to live for each other
As a new community making a new world;

In a church embracing and serving
Its whole neighborhood;

In a people called to live free and forgiven
And living the vision of a human family
In thanksgiving for what we receive each day;

I believe in striving to do justice,
In loving mercy,
And in walking humbly with our God.

Amen.

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