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“Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.”

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Easter Sunday

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

Prelude *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Let all the people declare:

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Let all the earth declare:

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

ALL: **Hallelujah!**

Opening Prayer

Working Preacher Narrative Lectionary

Holy Lord Jesus, on this day we rejoice in your glory and stand in awe of how you have transformed this world with your dying and your rising. Receive our joyful praise. Alleluia! AMEN.

Song

Low in the Grave

#273

CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Congregational Prayer

Affirmation of Faith back of Bulletin

Since we have been raised to new life with Christ, we set our sights on the realities of heaven where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. We think about the things of heaven. We too have died to the things of this earth and our real life hidden with Christ in God. And when

Christ, who is our life, is revealed to the whole world, we will share in all his glory. Thanks be to God. (Col. 3:1-4 NLT)

Song *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* #277

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Scripture Lesson *Mark 16:1-8 (NRSV)*

The Resurrection of Jesus

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Sermon *Easter, Then and Now*

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Closing Song *Because He Lives* #345

Benediction back of Bulletin

Go in the joy of Jesus' resurrection, to spread the good news that death is not the end, that God's love is the power we can lean into, and that the cross has been forever transformed into the assurance of eternity with our Lord.

Postlude

Thine is the Glory

Pianist/Organist Bob Phillips

KEEPING IN PRAYER

Kevin Beers Brian Crawford
June Diehl Virginia Whitten
Jon Hartman Richard Shreckhise
Richard Barry
Joel Guyer's Brother-in-law, Dale Stern
Judith Whitten's Niece, Jennifer Titus
Kevin Beers' Friend, Michael Green
Sandy, Carol & Barbara's Mother and Sister-in law, Lois Shull
Anna Welch's Friend, Annette Brown
Shawn Baker's Mother, Francine Baker and Grandmother, Emma Watson
Watson
The COVID-19 Pandemic and all those impacted.

