

Celebration of Worship Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. We are glad that you are here! Nursery and Preschool care is available if you need it. The Young and Young at Heart are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

We Gather at God's Invitation

WELCOME AND GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

PRELUDE *Jubilation Toccata*

Janzer

* *Please stand, if you are able*

+ *Found on the screen*

* OPENING SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Leader: People of God! Today we rejoice! Christ is risen!

All People: Christ is risen indeed!!

* HYMN OF THE RESURRECTION *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* # 123

Children's Procession with Flowers

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

* GOD'S BLESSING ON OUR WORSHIP

God Speaks Through the Word

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART

Message *Alive Again?!*

Prayer

Easter Song *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* # 106
Verses 1, 3 and 4

(Children in PreK – 2nd Grade are dismissed for Enrichment.)

GOSPEL LESSON *John 20:1-18* p. 882

EPISTLE LESSON *Romans 6:3-8* p. 917

PRAYER FOR GOD'S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SERMON *A Familiar Story with Life Giving Power*

Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

Art Work Credits:

<i>Suffering Christ</i>	Artist Unknown
<i>Christ Carrying the Cross</i>	Frangipane Niccolò (1555-1600)
<i>Crucified Christ</i>	Matthias Grünewald (1470-1528)
<i>Resurrection</i>	Donna Holdsworth (1959 -)
<i>It is Finished</i>	Artist Unknown
<i>Jesus' Descent From the Cross</i>	Jean Jouvenet (1644-1717)
<i>Distraught Disciples</i>	Artist Unknown
<i>Jesus' Body Broken</i>	Matthias Grünewald
<i>Women at the Tomb</i>	Artist Unknown
<i>Jesus' Appearance to Mary Magdalene</i>	
<i>at the Resurrection</i>	Alexander Andreyevich Ivanov (1805-1858)
<i>Jesus and the Disciples</i>	Artist Unknown
<i>Jesus and the Apostles</i>	George Rouault (1871-1958)
<i>Resurrection</i>	Piero della Francesca (1415-1492)
<i>Resurrection</i>	Paul T. Granlund (1925-2003)

* HYMN OF CELEBRATION *Joy to the World* # 40
Verses 1, 2 and 4

God Offers Grace and Forgiveness

CONFESSION

GOD'S GRACE AND FORGIVENESS DECLARED

Greet one another: "You are loved and you are forgiven."

Christ Offers Us the Feast of Life

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

REFRAIN *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

Sing twice

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