

Celebration of the Resurrection

April 21, 2019 **Easter Sunday** 9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery and Preschool care is available if you need it. The Young 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.

Thought for Reflection

Easter is the time to celebrate God's faithfulness and the redemptive Presence of Christ among us!

God Invites Us to Worship

PRELUDE *Marche Religieuse* Guilmant
(Organist at Notre Dame 1891-1901)

WELCOME

WORDS OF PREPARATION *Luke 24*

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Thanks and Praise be to God! ALLELUIA!

PEALING OF THE BELLS

We Offer Praise

* Please stand, if you are able.

* HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today # 123

In Christ Alone Screen

* GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY TOGETHER

* GOD BLESSES US AS WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

God Speaks Through the Word

WORDS FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Message *Why Tulips? Why Butterflies?*

Song *If You're Happy and You Know It*

Prayer

Children in Preschool through Grade 2 are dismissed for Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S SPIRIT TO MOVE AMONG US

SCRIPTURE LESSONS *John 20:1-18*
Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON *New Life! Resurrection Life!*
Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

* HYMN *This Joyful Eastertide* Insert

God Speaks and Acts through the Sacrament

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

Confession *Isaiah 53*

Leader: But the fact is, it was *our* pains that Christ carried –
our disfigurements, all the things wrong with us.
We thought he brought it on himself,
that God was punishing him for his own failures.

**All: But it was our sins that did that to him,
that ripped and tore and crushed him – our sins!**

Silent prayer of confession

Forgiveness Declared

Leader: He took the punishment, and that made us whole.

All: Through his bruises we are healed. Alleluia!

Share the good news of the Gospel.

In Christ you are loved and you are forgiven!

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.

The Invitation

The Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

We Share the Feast

Please come forward to receive the bread and dip it in the cup.
Gluten-free wafers are available at the station by the pulpit.

ANTHEM *Christ Is Risen!* Sanborn
Chancel Choir

We Respond to God's Love

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Classical Easter
Easter Bell Choir

arr. Hellman

DEDICATION OF ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING GIFTS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

* HYMN *Lift High the Cross* # 371

Those who desire to join the choir for the *Hallelujah Chorus*
are invited to come forward at this time when music will be provided.

God Sends Us Out to Serve

* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GOD'S BLESSING AS WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* *Hallelujah Chorus* Handel

*POSTLUDE *Hymn of Joy* arr. Broughton

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Lectionary Passages

Today

Old Testament *Isaiah 65:17-25*

Psalm *Psalm. 118:1-2, 14-24*

New Testament *Acts 10:34-43*

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Gospel *John 20:1-18*

Next Sunday

Psalm 150

Acts 5:27-32

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

Memory Verse

'Do not fear, for I am with you,' declares the Lord.

Jeremiah 46:28

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