ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 a.m. April 11, 2021

** indicates "stand if you are able."* UMH *is the blue hymnal.* TFWS *is the small black book.*

Introit *"Coming Home"* *Joseph Martin*
CUMC Adult Choir

I've wandered far away from God, now I am coming, I'm coming home.
The paths of sin too long I've trod, Lord, I am coming, I'm coming home.

I've wasted many precious years, But now I am coming, I'm coming home.
I now repent with bitter tears. Lord, I am coming, I'm coming home.

Coming Home, coming home, Lord never more to roam.
Open wide Your arm, Your arms of love, Lord, I am coming home.

My soul is sick, my heart is sore, now I am coming, I'm coming home.
My strength renew, my hope restore, now I am coming, I'm coming home.

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: The risen Christ is with us.
All: Praise the Lord!

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN *"He is Exalted" (2X)* TFWS #2070

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Come, walk in the light.
All: We walk together as children of light and love.
One: Come, gather in the love of God.
All: We gather together as children of light and love.
One: Come, live in the unity of God's Holy Spirit.
All: We live together as children of light and love.
One: And together let us pray.
All: Light of the world, shine upon us with your Holy Spirit. Gather in our midst, that we might know you are truly here. Guide us in unity and love, that we might be a blessing of unity and love for the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "*Children's Message"*

*HYMN *"Thy Word is a Lamp"* UMH#601

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

THE EPISTLE READING Acts 4:32-35

PSALM READING Psalm 133

THE GOSPEL READING 1 John 1:1-2:2

One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Rise Again"* Rev. Jane Kim

*HYMN *"On Eagle's Wings"* (2X) UMH #143

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another. *(From UMH page 7)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You know us so very well, Christ Jesus. You know our doubts and our questions, and you love us enough to welcome such doubts and question. You know our fractures and divisions, and you love us enough to invite us to forgive one another and live in unity. You know the shadows that tempt us, and still you shine your light within, inviting warmth and welcoming us back to your path of peace and love. Thank you for loving us and for inviting us on the journey of love. Help us embrace this journey, that we may walk in the light, and live in unity together. In your gracious love, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God is faithful in love and grace, making our confession welcome and cleansing for the soul. Rejoice! We are children of light. Even when we falter, God's love is strong enough to bring us back to the light of forgiveness and grace.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

Offering our gifts to God is a holy act. In this sacred moment, let us offer our gifts and our lives to the holy work of God.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "*An Easter Introit and Alleluia"* *by Eugene Butler*
CUMC Adult Choir

Tell it out! Tell it out: the Lord has risen!
Tell it out! Tell it out: the tomb is empty
Tell it out! Tell it out: the grave is conquered!
Sing, praise rejoice! Alleluiah!

Sing, praise for death is conquered!
Sing, praise everlasting life!
Sing out for despair is ended:
Christ lives again. Alleluiah!

Tell it out! Sing! Praise! rejoice!

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #94

THANKSGIVING PRAYER
Generous God, we offer you our gifts as best we can. Although we don't share everything in common, as those first believers did, we are sharing these gifts, that they may be used for the common good. Bless these gifts with the power of your Holy Spirit. Bless us with a spirit of unity and love. And bless our ministries, that we may bring your message of unity and love for all the world to know. In your Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN *"Majesty, Worship His Majesty"* UMH #176

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH
One: Rise again and live in the light,
All: the light of unity and love.
One: Rise again and live in the light,
All: the light of faith and hope.
One: Rise again and live in the light,
All: the light of God for all the world to know.

PASSING OF THE PEACE
Let us share his love and peace with one another.

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