

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR EASTER SUNDAY

10 a.m.

April 9, 2023

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

PRELUDE "Easter Alleluia Medley" arr. By Gary Lanier
INTROIT "Christ Is Risen from the Dead" by W. Leonard Beck

Christ is risen from the grave; O look and see where He was laid!
The tomb is empty, cold and bare, for Jesus Christ is no longer there!

(Refrain)

Christ is risen from the grave, look, O look the world to save;
for His blood for us was shed. Oh, He's risen from the dead!

From the grave, from the dead, O behold the sacred head!
All our sins on Him He bore, now He lives forever more!

(Refrain)

He reigns on high, the blessed Lamb, Son of God, Son of Man!
Shout salvation full and free: Christ won the victory!

(Refrain)

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!

*HYMN "Thine Be the Glory" UMH #308

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Christ is risen,

All: moving among the living.

One: Christ is alive,

All: inviting us to rise in fullness of life.

One: Christ is calling.

All: proclaiming life and hope for all.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Risen Christ, enter our worship and our hearts this day. As you live and move among us, remind us to proclaim and live the life you offer. Inspire us to walk as children of your resurrection, each and every day. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message"

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 PSALM READING Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

THE EPISTLE READING Colossians 3:1-4

THE GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Must Rise from the Dead" Rev. Jane Kim

*HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Verses 1, 6 UMH #302

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

Holy and loving God, when we hide away in tombs of death, lead us into life. When we cower in our fears and regret, encourage us with your mercy and your grace, that we might claim the life you offer. Help us embrace your love and live in your risen presence. In hope and joy, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

We have been raised with Christ!

All: Thanks be to God for this glorious gift. Amen.

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

Let us be generous in our giving, that others may see in us the transforming power of God. Let us be lavish in our gifts, that others may draw life from the bounty of God's blessings.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" by Mark Hayes
CUMC Adult Choir

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth around the honors of Thy name.
Let every creature join to praise the one eternal God,
Ye heavenly hosts the song begin and sound His name abroad.

Jesus, the name that calms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinners' ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.
He speaks, and listening to His voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever given
by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.
O for a thousand tongues to sing my great redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
Let every creature join to praise the one eternal God,
Ye heavenly hosts the song begin and sound His name abroad.

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, for you are good. You have been our help and hope, calling us to be help and hope for the world. You live among us, calling us to share life and love with all creation. Bless the gifts we bring before you, that they may be signs of your life, hope and love. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for Ukraine today. We pray for people suffering from war. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the war o, God. Amen.

*HYMN *"Because He Lives"* UMH #364

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Go and proclaim the Risen Christ.

All: Go and live as the risen children of God.

One: Go and be Easter people – people filled with hope and love for all the world.

All: Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

POSTLUDE *"Scherzino"* *by Cesar Cui*
Chrissy Fong – Flutist and Hahnsol Kim - Violinist

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