

CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Easter Sunday April 12, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Austin Memorial Handbells, Members of the Congregation

WELCOME Rev. Steve Jester

PRELUDE Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee arr. Lanz

Paula Roberts, pianist

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

INTROIT Easter Introit Bob Moore

Ricky Case, tenor

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, He is risen! Alleluia!!

HYMN 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Easter Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day. Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King. Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Congregation invited to respond with bold words)

Gracious God, we have heard the good news:

how on the third day, Christ was raised from the dead.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You rolled away the stone from the tomb.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You sent messengers to proclaim the gospel.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You were faithful to your promise; you have done wonderful things!

Still we look for the living among the dead.

[silent confession]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA Jesus Christ Is Risen Today, stanza 4

EASTER HYMN

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jordan Akin

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

SECOND READING John 20:1-18

SERMON The Turning Rev. Steve Jester

THE RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This is the good news which we have received, in which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Alleluia, Alleluia!

W.A. Mozart

Christina Bouras Recktenwald, soprano; Meme Tunnell, guest pianist

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(See "Giving of Offerings" on page 4 of bulletin)

LITANY FOR EASTER (Congregation invited to respond with bold words)

And so we pray: **O Lord of Glory.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE SENDING

HYMN 248 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! Hymn to Joy

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days! Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed. In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair. Walk with gladness in the morning. See that love can do and dare. Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend. Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

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IN WORSHIP TODAY

OUR MUSIC

Ricky Case, Christina Bouras Recktenwald, Jim Rittenhouse, soloists Paula Roberts, pianist; Meme Tunnell, guest accompanist

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Charlie Farnsley on the death of his grandmother, Sissy Nash, 3/10/20 Joyce Reibling on the death of her sister, Marilyn Beverly Pierce, 3/6/20 Barbara Taylor on the death of her sister, Teresa Herlston, 3/6/20 Steve Jester on the death of his mother died, 3/3/20

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor
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Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth
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