

The Worship of God
April 21, 2019 · 10:45 am
Easter Sunday

GATHERING as God's Children

Introit **Welcome, Happy Morning!** FORTUNATUS

Welcome and Invocation Jennifer Rygg

Please sign the friendship register and pass it down the pew.

If you are the last to sign, please date and tear out the sheet and place it in the offering plate.

++ Gathering Songs **No. 185** **The Old Rugged Cross** (v. 1) OLD RUGGED CROSS
(screen) **Resurrecting** Elevation Worship
Praise Team and Congregation

The Christ candle in the center of the altar table represents the light of Christ, who shines brightly in our dark world. The other candles represent the ways in which we shine the light of Christ in our own lives.

On Ash Wednesday, we placed purple slips of paper with the word "Alleluia" in a box. The box was placed under the altar table, where it has remained throughout the season of Lent. This act of "burying the Alleluia" symbolizes the practice of avoiding the use of the word "Alleluia" during Lent, saving this special, celebratory word for Easter Sunday. Today, we open the box and let out the "Alleluias"!

Easter Greeting Christ is Risen!
He is risen indeed! Congregation

++Hymn of Praise **No. 207** **Low in the Grave He Lay** CHRIST AROSE

Responsive Call to Worship Cara Morgan

Jesus said:
I Am the Messiah. **Alleluia.**
I Am the Light of the World. **Alleluia.**
I Am the Good Shepherd. **Alleluia.**
I Am the Door for the Sheep. **Alleluia.**
I Am the Bread of Life. **Alleluia.**
I Am the True Vine. **Alleluia.**
I Am the Resurrection. **Alleluia.**
Christ is Risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

RECEIVING the Word of God and RESPONDING to God in Worship and Service

Gospel Readings **John 11:25-26** Cara Morgan
John 20:1-2, 11-18

++ Offertory Hymns **What a Beautiful Name** Fielding & Ligertwood
O Praise the Name (Anastasis) Hastings, Ussher, &
Praise Team and Congregation Sampson

Offertory Prayer Steve Hansen

Offertory **I Know that My Redeemer Liveth** G. F. Handel

++Offertory Response **No. 706** **The Doxology** OLD 100TH, alt.

After the Doxology, children ages 4 - 2nd grade may be dismissed to Children's Chapel.

The screen will also be raised at this time.

May the light of the rose window help us focus more intently on the light of Jesus.

Anthem **Risen Today!** Larson
The Great I AM Rouse

Reflection **"From Death to Life"** Jennifer Rygg

++Hymn of Response **No. 194** **Christ the Lord is Risen Today** EASTER HYMN

During the hymn of response, our pastor is available for those who desire to follow Christ as Savior, to renew their relationship with God, to unite with this church, or to seek prayer.

GOING Into the World

Announcements and Pastoral Benediction Jennifer Rygg

Meditation

As the candles are extinguished, the flame is carried from the sanctuary to represent the Light of Christ in each of us that goes with us as we go into the world.

++ Benediction Hymn No. 620 **Because He Lives** (chorus) RESURRECTION

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow; because He lives, all fear is gone!
Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living just because He lives!**

++ Flowering the Cross

Our service will conclude on the front lawn with the flowering of the cross.
Fresh cut flowers are available on the front porch of the church.

++ Congregation is invited to stand. Those who prefer may remain seated.
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Welcome, Guests! Thank you for worshiping with us today! Please take a moment to complete the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. You can share your experience at our church by visiting our website, clicking on “Visitors” and then “Visitor Response Survey.”

Worship Notes

I AM Series: Today is the seventh Sunday of our sermon series on the I Am statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John. In **John 11:25**, Jesus says, “**I am the Resurrection.**” As a visual representation of this statement, a **butterfly** is displayed on the altar table.

Children and Worship: Children of all ages are welcome to join us for worship.

Nursery care is available in room 102 for children ages 4 and younger.

Children’s Bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances.

Children’s Chapel is provided in room 211 during the sermon for ages 4 - 2nd grade.

Worship Bags are available in front of the first pew on each side of the sanctuary. Children are encouraged to take a bag at the beginning of the service and return it to the hook at the end of the service.

Special Worship Supplies for Easter are available on the worship cart near the worship bags on the organ side of the sanctuary.

every member a minister

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I AM the Resurrection (John 11:25)

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