

EASTER CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

APRIL 17, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Janice Hedberg, Church Organist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Easter Proclamation:**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

***Gathering Song #288** “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” *EASTER HYMN*

***Call to Worship**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

His steadfast love endures forever!

The Lord is my strength and my might;

He has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!

I shall not die, but I shall live,

And recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Timothy Matthew Slemmons, “The Joyful Feast: Liturgical Elements for Reformed Worship, Year C.”

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***Opening Prayer** The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

Songs of Faith #294 “Christ Arose!” *CHRIST AROSE*

Proclamation of Faith & Forgiveness

The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

Alleluia #295

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Ashley Smith

The First Reading 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

The Second Reading Luke 24:1-12

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ** John 20:1-18

***Responsorial #287** “Lift High the Cross” *CRUCIFER*

Children's Sermon (Kids 3rd Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

Announcements & Prayers of the Community

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations - A collection plate is available in the front of the Sanctuary, ushers will collect the offering, or you can give it online.

Offertory Special #314 “The Easter Song” *ANNE HERRING*

Prayer, and The Message “EASTER: LET IN HOPE!”
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

***Confession of Faith** *The Apostles Creed (Ecumenical)*

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Lord's Table – We practice *open communion*. All persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ are invited to partake of this memorial meal. Please hold each gift until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

Communion Song “Behold the Lamb” **Solo**

The Prayer of Institution and 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper

Breaking of the Bread

The Body of Christ; The Bread of Heaven

Passing of the Cup

The Blood of Christ; The Cup of Salvation

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship**

***Closing Hymn #298**

"The Day of Resurrection!"

LANCASHIRE

***Spoken Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Postlude**

Janice Hedberg, Church Organist

*Please stand if able

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BELIEVER'S BAPTISM – We practice "believer's baptism" which is the immersion of a person in water – regardless of age – who receives Jesus Christ as his or her personal Savior and publicly professes to walk the Jesus way. If you would like to be baptized, then come to the front during the last song.

THE LORD'S SUPPER – We celebrate the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) on the first Sunday of each month and on special occasions. All persons of faith are welcome to partake at the Table of the Lord, regardless of age, race, or church affiliation. We use only non-alcoholic grape juice.



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