ORDER OF WORSHIP 7:00, 8:15, 9:45 AM

Gathering Music

Welcome & Invitation to Worship Dave Steane (7:00, 8:15 AM) Rachel Poysky (9:45 AM)

Pastor: Christ is risen. All: He is risen indeed.

*Moment of Celebration

*Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Brett Hurst (7:00 AM) Clay Brown (8:15 AM)

Ellie Antestenis (9:45 AM)

*Songs of Response

Message GRAVEYARDS AND THE GOSPEL 1 Corinthians 15:3-10

Alf Halvorson

Gifts of Gratitude

Meliza Gómez & Michael Middleton, worship leaders Daniel Amaya, bass • Clarissa Escamilla, soloist (9:45 AM) • George Heathco, guitar (8:15/9:45) Tim Hughes, violin (7:00 AM) • Daniel Martinez, keys (8:15/9:45) • Asher Pudlo, drums

ORDER OF WORSHIP 11:15 AM

Prelude The Great Gate of Kiev Modeste Mussorgsky (1839-1881)

*Hymn of Celebration arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Welcome and Invitation to Worship Dave Steane

Pastor: All:

*Hymn of Praise Lift High the Cross #371; Vs. 1, 3 | CRUCIFER

1 Corinthians 15:3-10

Choral Benediction Hallelujah Chorus G. F. Handel (1844-1937)

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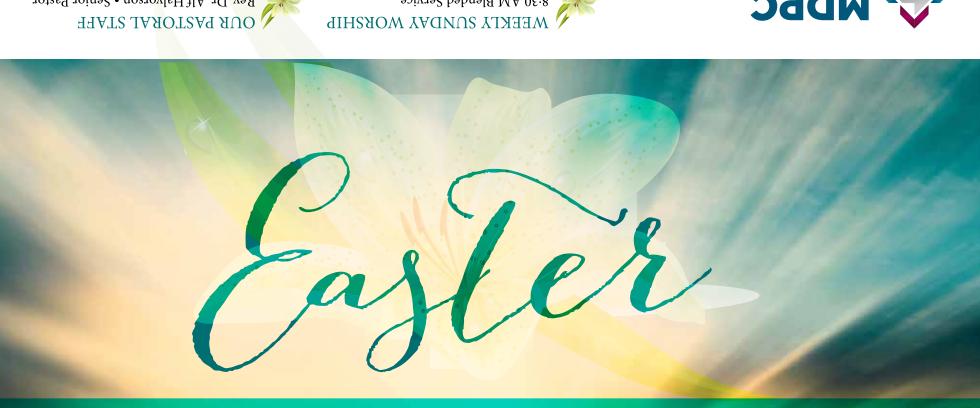


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11:15 AM Traditional Service 9:45 AM Contemporary Service 8:30 AM Blended Service



*Prayer of Confession and Assurance Beth Case Anthem Rejoice, Ye Heavenly Powers Stephen Main (b. 1981) Offertory To the Lamb on the Throne Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

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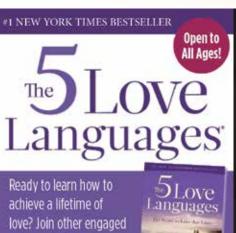
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U Word from Our Pastor

Happy Easter! Romans 6:4 says, "We have been buried with Him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life."

The information in this bulletin is really an invitation for *newness of life* through a deep relationship with the risen Christ, with each other, and with the world for whom Christ died. In community, God empowers us in faith, joy, and service. I am awed by the nearly unbelievable words of Ephesians 1:19-20 in Today's Living Bible: "How incredibly great His power is to help those who believe Him. It is the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead."

May Christ's resurrection give you hope that your life can be transformed and that, through you, others can experience God's grace and help.









Staff Tug-of-War



Church in the City



Elder Installation

The Moreton/Culver Family (Elliott, Laura, Riley, Kyle, and Andrew) in memory of Charles P. Moreton

The Moreton/Culver Family (Elliott, Laura, Riley, Kyle, and Andrew) in memory of Betty W. Moreton

Sally and Dennis Nelson in honor of their wonderful children, Kimberly and Kevin DeLaat; Reid and David Nelson; and Kelly and Grant Butrum

Sally and Dennis Nelson in honor of their precious grandchildren, Cameron and Conner DeLaat

Sally and Dennis Nelson in honor of their precious grandchildren, Cooper and Brantley Nelson

Sally and Dennis Nelson in memory of their precious grandchildren, Will and Ellie Butrum

Sally and Dennis Nelson in memory of their wonderful mother, Betty Nelson

Sally and Dennis Nelson in memory of their wonderful parents, Anne and Gus Snellgrove

Gretchen Odum in memory of Marvin E. Odum, Jr.

Gretchen Odum in memory of Mark Mouton

Gretchen Odum in memory of Lily Odum

Carol and Jere Overdyke in honor of Trey, Tricia, Maggie, and Evelyn Overdyke

Carol and Jere Overdyke in honor of Scott, Deanna, and Acadia Overdyke

Carol and Jere Overdyke in memory of Jimbo Overdyke

The Perdomo Family (Eddie, Kim, Nicolas, and Madelyn) in honor of Jose and Isabel (Babi) Perdomo

Donna Powell in memory of Steven Taconnelly

The Riddle/Edwards Family in memory of Connie Porter

Jim, Marilyn, and Lesli Riopelle in memory of Steven James Riopelle

Trae and Amy Roby in honor of Ted and Betty Roby

Trae and Amy Roby in honor of Al and Joan Heiser

The Rupley Family in memory of Robert "Bob" Rupley

Brett, Lisa, Laurel, and Presley Schrader in memory of Vicki Schrader

Ricci, Julie, Olivia, Nathan, and Benjamin Siciliano in memory of Ruth and Alfred Siciliano

Leslie Sloan in memory of her brother, Theodoric "Todd" C. Bland, III

Leslie Sloan in memory of her grandmother Margaret T. Parker

Judy and Brad Smith in celebration of our Risen Savior

Virginia and Don Smith in memory of Virginia's brother, Murphy Moore

Virginia and Don Smith in memory of Gus and Anne Snellgrove

The Ken Stockton Family in memory of Ken Stockton

JoAnn Suthers in loving memory of Brian R. Suthers: husband, father, grandfather, and friend

Ryan and Courtney Taylor in honor of Everett, George, and Anna Lou

Ryan and Courtney Taylor in memory of Iris Tyndall

Suzanne and Richard Tobin in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.S. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Tobin

The Tsuru Family in memory of Jacqueline Jones Skelton

The Tsuru Family in memory of Aiko and Frank Tsuru

The Venter and Badenhorst Families in memory of Johan Badenhorst

The Venter and Badenhorst Families in memory of De la Rey H. Venter

The Venter and Badenhorst Families in memory of Maryna Venter

The Venter and Badenhorst Families in memory of Paul Venter

The Venter and Badenhorst Families in memory of Rania Venter

Anna and Maggie Vickers in honor of their parents, Troy and Diane Vickers

Linda and David White in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ame Vennema

Linda and David White in memory of Mr. and Mrs. G.A. White

Julia Wilhelm, the Barker and Chittick Family in memory of Zachary Chittick

Mona Williams, the Rick Bradford Family, and the Chris Jaeger Family, in loving memory of their mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Barbara Smith

Jacky Woike in honor of Sue and Joe Warren

Jacky Woike in honor of Stephanie and John Wilkinson Family

Jacky Woike in honor of Dianne and Dane English

Jacky Woike in honor of Wendy and Rob Leonard family

Jacky Woike in memory of her husband, Bill

Ray Young and Kathy Hooks in memory of Susan D. Young

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Song Texts for the Sunrise Service

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today
Charles Wesley | Kurtis Parks | Samuel Arnold

Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia Sons of men and angels say, alleluia Raise your joys and triumphs high, alleluia Sing ye heavens and earth reply, alleluia

Lives again our glorious King, alleluia Where oh death is now thy sting, alleluia Dying once, He all doth save, alleluia Where thy victory oh grave, alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia Fought the fight, the battle won, alleluia Death in vain forbids Him rise, alleluia Christ has opened paradise, alleluia

In Christ Alone

Keith Getty

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my Light, my Strength, my Song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ, I stand

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ, I'll stand

Blessed Assurance C. Brown | F. J. Crosby | M. Brock | P. Palmer-Knapp

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine Oh what foretaste of glory divine Heir of salvation, Purchase of God Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Perfect submission, all is at rest I in my Savior am happy and blessed Watching and waiting, looking above Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior all the day long

Because He Lives

Gloria Gaither | William J. Gaither

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus He came to love, heal, and forgive He bled and died to buy my pardon

An empty grave is there to prove My Savior lives

Chorus

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 How sweet to hold our newborn baby And feel the pride and joy he gives

But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days

Because Christ lives
Repeat Chorus

Prayer of Confession

Lord God of Heaven, today we celebrate Your greatest gift: the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

Christ's resurrection is the foundation of our eternal hope.

Yet, we confess that we do not live in the reality of that hope in our daily lives.

Our minds and hearts are often focused on other things, and we willingly walk in the wrong direction.

Lord, You are a God of tremendous faithfulness; You are a God of relentless grace.

We confess our sins of indifference and waywardness.

Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sin.

May our hearts be filled as You encourage us with Your truth and grace,

by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We ask this in the mighty Name of Jesus. Amen.



Sunday, April 1, 2018 • 11:15 AM

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! Amen

Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred Name

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred Name

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree Your death has brought us life eternally Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred Name

Prayer of Confession

Lord God of Heaven, today we celebrate the greatest of days, Easter Sunday. The precious gifts of Christ's resurrection lay the foundation for all our eternal hope.

Yet, we confess that, too often, we do not walk out the reality of that hope in our daily lives. Our minds and hearts are focused on other things. If we are honest, sometimes we even are walking in the wrong direction.

But You, O Lord, are a God of tremendous faithfulness. You are a Father of relentless grace. We confess our sins of indifference and confusion. Have mercy upon us. Forgive our sin, O God.

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Rejoice, Ye Heavenly Powers

What is this mystery, so great and new? Trembling for joy, all creation cries
The Lord has risen from the dead
And Death beneath Him lies
Rejoice ye heavenly powers
O sing ye chorus of angels

Exult all creation around God's throne For Christ our King is risen Sound the trumpet The trumpet of salvation • Rejoice!

O mystery great and glorious • That mortal flesh should conquer death and sin And all our human pains and wounds • The Lord should heal by bearing them Rejoice, holy Church, exult in glory • The light of Christ shines upon you Let the earth resound and echo the song of God's own people • Rejoice!

To the Lamb on the Throne

Worthy the Lamb Ye servants of God, our Master proclaim And publish abroad His wonderful Name The Name all victorious of Jesus extol His Kingdom is glorious and rules over all • Worthy the Lamb

"Salvation to God who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb

God rules in the height, Almighty to save Though hid from our sight, His presence we have The great congregation His triumph shall sing Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King

Then let us adore and give Him His right
All glory and power, all wisdom and might
All honor and blessing with angels above
And thanks never ceasing and infinite love • Worthy the Lamb

1 Corinthians 15:3-10a

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me has not been in vain.

Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah)

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!

The kingdom of this world • Is become the Kingdom of our Lord

And of His Christ

And He shall reign forever and ever • King of kings, and Lord of lords

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!