

CHURCH OF CHRIST UNITING

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Easter Sunday **4-20-2025**

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

P: Christ has prepared a feast of love.

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

HYMN "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" **UMH# 302**

OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON)

God of life, through Jesus Christ you have bestowed upon the world the light of life. Sanctify this new fire, and grant that our hearts and minds may also be kindled with holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, that we may attain the feast of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **UMH# 881**

GLORIA PATRI **UMH# 70**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

YOUNG DISCIPLES' TIME

SCRIPTURE READING **Acts 10:34-43**

CHOIR ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING **1 Corinthians 15:19-26**

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY **UMH# 95**

OFFERTORY PRAYER (IN UNISON)

God of life and love, we are grateful for your promise of resurrection and new life. Your love is stronger than the powers of evil and injustice. With joy, we bring our gifts to you this day. Use our gifts and our lives to proclaim Christ's triumph over death. Amen.

GOSPEL READING **John 20:1-18**

MESSAGE **Pastor Chris**

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

HYMN "Up From the Grave He Arose" **UMH# 322**

COMMUNION **UMH# 13-14**

***please come forward in two lines to receive the elements of Holy Communion.*

*There will be two stations, you will be given a piece of bread, take and eat the bread remembering the death Jesus endured for us, you will then be given a cup, drink from that cup, and remember the blood Jesus shed as a living sacrifice for our sins. You may then return to your seat for a time of reflection and prayer***

THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON)

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 sins as we forgive those who sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN** "He Lives" **UMH# 310**

SENDING WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.

* (Those who are able, please stand)

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal)
FWS (The Faith We Sing)

