

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

April 5, 2026

EASTER SUNDAY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cindy Luper

Please silently prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE

Cara Major

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Through God's miracle of grace, we have come through the night and arrived at this glorious dawn.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

All doors are open, all creation sings, all that was broken is made whole, and we have new life.

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Let all that has life and breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

***HYMN**

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

No. 232

CONFESSION (in unison)

Risen Lord, we turn from the night's vigil toward the first rays of your new dawn warming all creation. We praise you that you are alive here with us and that no power can stop your love. Teach us what it means for death to relinquish its hold on us, that with renewed hearts we might know resurrection hope in our bodies and cry, Alleluia! Amen.

Time for Silent Prayers and Reflection

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In the name of Christ who makes all things new, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

EXPRESSING THE FAITH

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***HYMN** Alleluia! Sing to Jesus No. 260

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

SCRIPTURE John 20:1-18; Colossians 3:1-4

SERMON Things Above Rev. Mike Luper

***HYMN** Because He Lives Insert

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** Cara Major
Please remain standing until after the candles have been extinguished.

***Please rise in body or in spirit**

We welcome you to gather in the Fellowship Hall after the service for coffee and fellowship.