ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Celebration of the Resurrection

Gathering

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude The Call Ralph Vaughan Williams

Rob Taylor, tenor

Tomas Jakubek, violin; Craig Mumm, viola; Daniel Mumm, cello; Mary Taylor, violin

Easter Greeting

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is Risen indeed! Leader: Christ The Lord is Risen! **People:** He is Risen indeed!

* Opening Hymn Christ the Lord Is Risen Today No. 302

* Affirmation of Faith THE APOSTLES' CREED

No. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come

to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Gloria Patri No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Anthem Easter Ralph Vaughan Williams

Maurice Burgess, tenor; Tomas Jakubek, violin; Craig Mumm, viola; Daniel Mumm, cello; Mary Taylor, violin

Chancel Choir

First Lesson Colossians 3: 1-4 NT Pg. 201

Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** *And also with you.*

Congregational Prayer 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Offertory Marche Triumphale Michael Helman
Chancel Bells

* Doxology No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Hymn of Assurance He Lives No. 310

Anthem Antiphon Ralph Vaughan Williams
Tomas Jakubek, violin; Craig Mumm, viola; Daniel Mumm, cello; Mary Taylor, violin
Chancel Choir

NT Pg. 33

No. 327

* Second Lesson Matthew 28: 1-10 (NIV)

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon WIJD Rev. Michael Ritter

* **Hymn of Dedication** Crown Him with Many Crowns

* Benediction

* Benediction Response Hallelujah Chorus George Frederic Handel

* Chiming of the Trinity

* Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

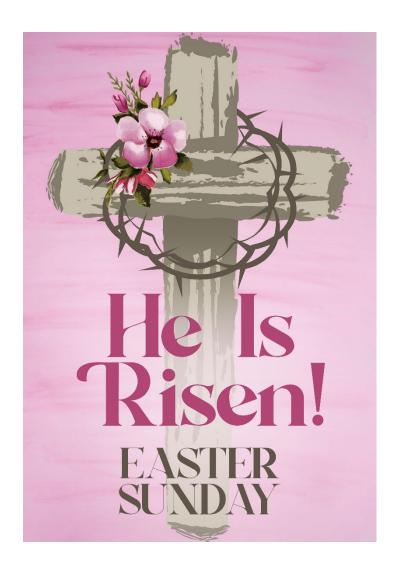
WELCOME - It is Easter morning; the single most important day in the life of Christian people. We are delighted that you have chosen to spend this day with us and welcome you in the name of the Risen Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS - The altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God in honor of our children and grandchildren, from Karl and Joan Naugle.

FLOWERING CROSS - The flowering cross is an especially striking and beautiful way to represent the new life that emerges from the death of Christ on Good Friday. Please help us adorn the cross with flowers on Easter Sunday, as we celebrate the transformation of the rugged cross into a symbol of life and new beginning. All children's Sunday School classes will visit the cross during the Sunday School hour. If it is raining, the cross will be moved inside by the elevator downstairs.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST- Bethany will host a National Day of Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 4 in the Fellowship Hall. The breakfast will be from 6:30am - 7am and the program will be from 7am - 8:15 am. Tickets are \$20 and can be found by visiting www.summervilleymca.org.

Rev. Michael Ritter, Senior Pastor
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