ORDER OF WORSHIP April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday

Prelude

Because He Lives

Welcome

*Call to Worship

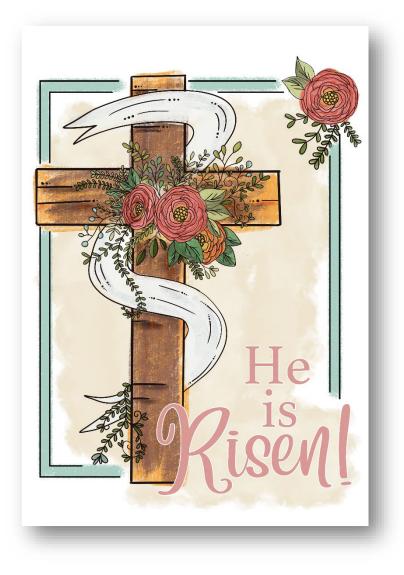
Minister: Christ is Risen!		
People: Christ is Risen	indeed!	
Minister: The tomb is now	v empty, and the Risen Ch	rist is here again,
calling us to so	nething new.	
People: The air is alive	with new beginnings, bec	ause Christ is
alive!		
Minister: We come to cele	-	
People: O God, fill us w		
All: Alleluia! Christ	is Risen! Christ is Risen i	ndeed! Amen.
*Opening Hymn	He Lives	UMH No. 310
Responsive Reading	Psalm 133	UMH No. 850
Behold, how good and pl when we live togethe		
It is like the precious oi	•	
running down upon		
upon the beard of Aaro	-	
-	e collar of his robes!	
It is like the dew of Hern		
which falls on the mo	ountains of Zion!	
For there the Lord has	commanded the blessing,	
life for evermore.		
Congregational Prayer &	Lord's Prayer	
Our Father,	who art in heaven, hallowe	ed be thy name.
The kingdom on	na thu will be done on cant	h as it is in haavan

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. *Collect for the Day (pray in unison) Almighty God, who through your only begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Offertory	Run to the Tomb Mixed Ensemble		
Presentation of Tithes	and Offerings		
* Doxology		UMH No. 95	
The Scripture LessonJohn 20:1-18Minister: The word of God for the people of God.People: Thanks be to God.			
Sermon Who 2	Are You Seeking?	Rev. Mark Barnes	
*Hymn of Dedication	Christ the Lord is Risen Today	UMH No. 302	
*Blessing of the People	;		
Benediction Response Irish Blessing		Spell Ensemble	
May the road rise to meet you, May the wind blow at your back, May the sun shine warmly on your face, May the rain fall softly on your field; And until we meet again, until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.			
*Postlude			
* Please stand			
The altar flo	wers today are given to the Glory	of God	

WELCOME

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



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