

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

April 8, 2007 Easter Sunday 10:45 A.M.

Thank you for being here today. We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God, and His Spirit inspires and directs. During our Gathering Time, we invite you to extend a warm welcome to each other and to our guests as we celebrate the gift of Christian fellowship! May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshippers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices. Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*INVITATION TO SHARE IN WORSHIP Philippians 2:8-11
And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every other name,
That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE Easter People, Raise Your Voices! arr. Sikes
Having experienced the warmth of Christian fellowship, we now invite you to take this time to prepare your heart to encounter the living God in worship!

CALL TO WORSHIP Easter Song Herring
Hear the bells ringing, they're singing that we can be born again!
Hear the bells ringing, they're singing, "Christ is risen from the dead!"
The angel upon the tombstone said, "He is risen just as He said."
"Quickly now go tell his disciples that Jesus Christ is no longer dead!"
Joy to the world, He is risen, alleluia, is risen, alleluia, is risen, alleluia. Alleluia!
Channels

INVOCATION Jeff Allen

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD John 20:1-18 Jason Cogdill

MUSICAL OFFERING Risen Indeed! Martin
Our Lord is risen indeed! Sing and alleluia! With an alleluia come and praise the Lord.
Christians, lift your song. Exalt Him; give Him all the honor; give Him all the praise
Alleluia! Our Lord is risen, risen indeed!
Ainesis

RESPONSIVE READING

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he is risen!"
The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed!
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*HYMN NO. 159 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

CHILDREN'S TIME Jeff Allen

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor

*HYMN NO. 160 Low In the Grave He Lay CHRIST AROSE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Cecelia Cauble

OFFERTORY Christ the Lord is Risen/Hallelujah Chorus arr. Smith

ANTHEM Easter Anthem Boodle
Jesus Christ is risen! Tell out the wondrous story, that He has conquered death
and lives forevermore, Alleluia! Tell out the story that He lives and reigns in triumph,
He is King forevermore, Alleluia!
Sound the trumpet! Sing unto the Lord upon this day of rejoicing in all the world.
Our Lord is risen!
Sanctuary Choir

SERMON Living Easter Pastor
John 20:1-18

*HYMN NO. 164 The Day of Resurrection LANCASHIRE

*BENEDICTION Revelation 5:12-13
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom
and strength and honor and praise!
To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory
and power forever and ever!
(Congregation may be seated following the benediction.)

RESPONSE Worthy Is the Lamb Pote

POSTLUDE This Joyful Eastertide arr. Jordan

* Those who are able are asked to stand.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments
No afternoon or evening activities

Monday

9:30 a.m. Monday Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907 - Court of Honor

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. *Grace Notes* Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. WMU Salad Supper – Smith Hall

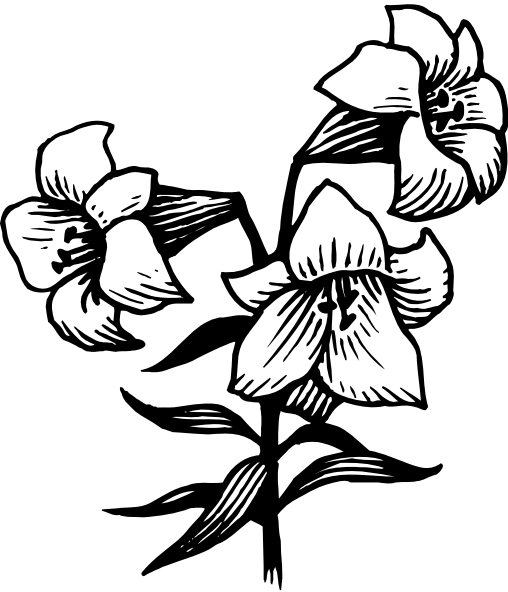
Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Media Center Open
5:30-6:30 Supper Line Open
6:00 Sunday School Council
Cherub Choir, Sing for God, Psalm 8:2 Rehearsals
6:45 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Youth Discipleship/Missions
7:30 *Sanctuary Choir*

Saturday

7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study

Nursery Workers Today: Beth Huff, Kelsey Phillips, Bernice Hudspeth, Liz Matthews,
Marla Andrews, Pat Blackwell



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The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed!

EASTER SUNDAY