

Chapel at Church – Easter Sunday

Communion Service for April 4, 2021

PRELUDE “The Day of Resurrection” -arr. B. Glyncannon

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

One: Why have you come this morning?

All: We come to experience the Risen Christ.

One: How will you know him?

All: Through the love and life we feel present in this gathering of the Body of Christ.

One: What will you do with this experience?

All: We will go forth, as an Easter people, witnesses to this amazing act of love.

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE **Mark 16:1-8** (*page 54*)

MESSAGE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC “He Is Risen!” -D. Besig/N. Price (*Lori Abramowski, soloist*)

GREETING OUR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(All who wish to follow The Way of Life are welcome to share in this meal with Christ Jesus as our host. You need not be a member of this church or this denomination.)

Words of Institution

Sharing the Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*In unison*)

Holy One, You come to us with power beyond all knowing. You lift all things out of the dust, You breathe love into every cell, You call us into communion with You and with each other, and You claim victory over death. With thankful hearts we proclaim: Blessed be Your Holy Name now and forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #216 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

(If you are uncomfortable around singing, we invite you to leave during the songs introduction.)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Hallelujah” from Messiah -G. F. Handel

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.