

Resurrection Morning Celebration!

Messiah United Methodist Church

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(*indicates standing as you are able.)

PRELUDE "Toccata Giocosa" G. Martin
*HYMN "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" 302
(with Bell Choir Accompaniment)

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER

*GREETING EACH OTHER

BELL CHOIR "Voluntary on Judas Maccabeus" arr. Michael Helman

LAMBS' TALK "Where Children Belong" 2233
(Following the Lambs' Talk, Children are invited to Junior Church)

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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

THE OFFERING

Offertory "Thine is the Glory" G. F. Handel, arr. L. Smith
*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* The Offertory Prayer

*HYMN "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done" 306

*SCRIPTURE John 20:1-18

CHANCEL CHOIR "The Heavens Are Telling" from "The Creation"
by Joseph Haydn
Trio: Allie Mahon, Jess Maser, Jorgan Landi

SERMON Sight and Belief

*THE APOSTLES CREED 881

*HYMN "Up from the Grave He Arose" 322

*THE BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE "'Voices Exultant" R. Nolte

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Serving in worship this morning:

Rev. Steven M. Livermore Pastor
Rev. Fran Norton Worship Leader
Mr. Tom Evitts Organist
Ms. Arlene Zook Pianist
Mr. Donald Dickinson Chancel Choir Director
Mrs. Rhonda Washinger Bell Choir Director

Notes:

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. 2 So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

3 So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. 4 Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, 7 as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. 8 Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. 9 (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) 10 Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb 12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

13 They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." 14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

15 He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

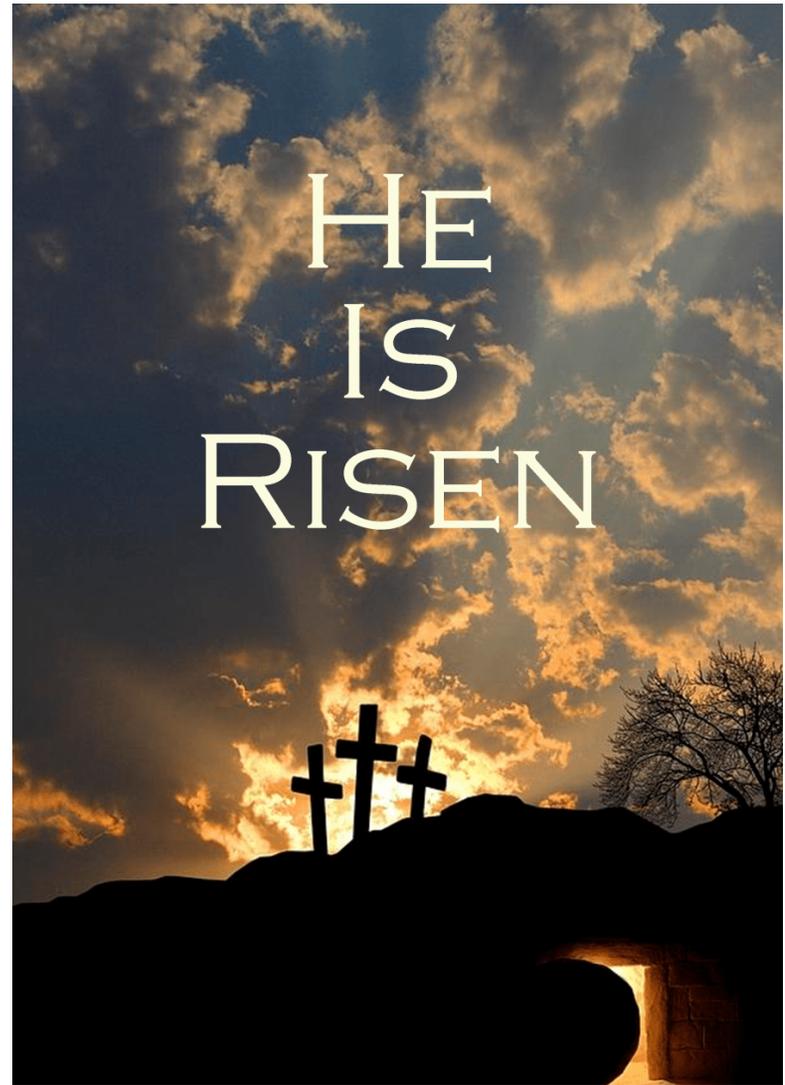
Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

16 Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.



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