

Gospel Reading	Luke 24:1-12	
Hymn	<i>Christ Is Risen</i>	UMH 307
Sermon	“He Is Risen!”	Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm
*Hymn	<i>Up from the Grave He Arose</i>	UMH 322
*Benediction		
L:	Go forth in joy! Let your voices ring with victory;	
P:	for Christ is Risen! Happy Easter!	
*Choral Benediction	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i>	Wesley/Handel
Postlude	<i>'Tis Spring of Saints Today</i>	arr. Richard Williamson
	<i>You are invited to be seated for the Postlude.</i>	

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

Organist: Marlene Dirksen

Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez

Trumpet: Sofia Needham

Liturgist: Bill Ransom

Greeters: Charlene and John Vas, Greg Lavelle

Ushers: Judi Wagner, Guylene Harold

Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter

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Easter Sunday April 17, 2022 + 10:30 am

Welcome and Greeting in Easter Proclamation

L: Christ is risen!

P: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude *The Strife Is O'er* arr. E. Broughton

Choral Introit *Stand Up and Bless the Lord* Montgomery/Crotch

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 118) Bill Ransom

L: God is good!

P: **All the time!**

L: And all the time!

P: **God is good!**

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

Let all the people proclaim, "God's steadfast love endures forever!"

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

L: The Lord is my strength, my song, and my salvation!

Shouts of joy resound in the tents of the righteous!

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

L: The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

P: **We will not die but live. We will proclaim what the Lord has done.**

L: We enter the gates of the Lord and give thanks, for this is the day the Lord has made!

P: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

***New Testament Reading** Acts 10:34-43

***Unison Prayer** (Acts 10)

Holy and Living God, like a tomb's darkness that gives way to light, open us this day to newness of life; open us to your love, to your acceptance, to your forgiveness, to your peace; open us to one another, and to the possibilities you have in store for us. Give us

hope for the future and a passion for life here and now. We pray in the name of the One who destroyed death, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

***Hymn** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* (vv. 1-5) UMH 302

Prayers of the People

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession

We have to admit it, Lord, that we had our doubts. We have heard the Resurrection story and for so many years it has remained just a nice story. But this time it is different. This time we have walked the path with Christ. We have journeyed through the wilderness and valleys, to the mountaintops to the courtyard, the garden and the cross. Now you bring us to the empty tomb and to the joyous news of the truth of Christ. Forgive us when we so easily doubt the truth of his resurrection. Forgive us when we feel we have to have absolute proof of everything. Your love in Jesus Christ is all the proof we need. You conquered death and sin, you brought us to new life. We praise your holy name and sing our unending song of hope and thanksgiving. Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Amen.

Words of Assurance

Come into the light of God's love! Christ is risen! Death has been swallowed up in victory! Know beyond all doubt that God's love is always with you, surrounding you, leading you, comforting you. Be at peace.

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem *Glorificamus* Gordon Young

Penny Sunday Offering

Today's Penny Sunday offering will go to support West Side Community House.

The Offering

Offertory *An Exultant Alleluia* Lani Smith

***Doxology** UMH 94

***Prayer of Dedication**