

Sermon "The Main Thing" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

***Hymn** *The Day of Resurrection* UMH 303

***Responsive Benediction**

L: Christ is with us in this place.

P: **Alleluia!**

L: Christ goes with us into the world.

P: **Alleluia!**

L: Go now in peace. Christ is risen!

P: **Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Postlude *Lift High the Cross* arr. Alice Jordan
Please be seated for the Postlude.

**Please stand as able*

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

Organist: Marlene Dirksen

Choir Director/Handbell Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez

Liturgist: Alice Walsh

Greeters: Charlene and John Vas, Greg Lavelle

Usher: Beth Cruz

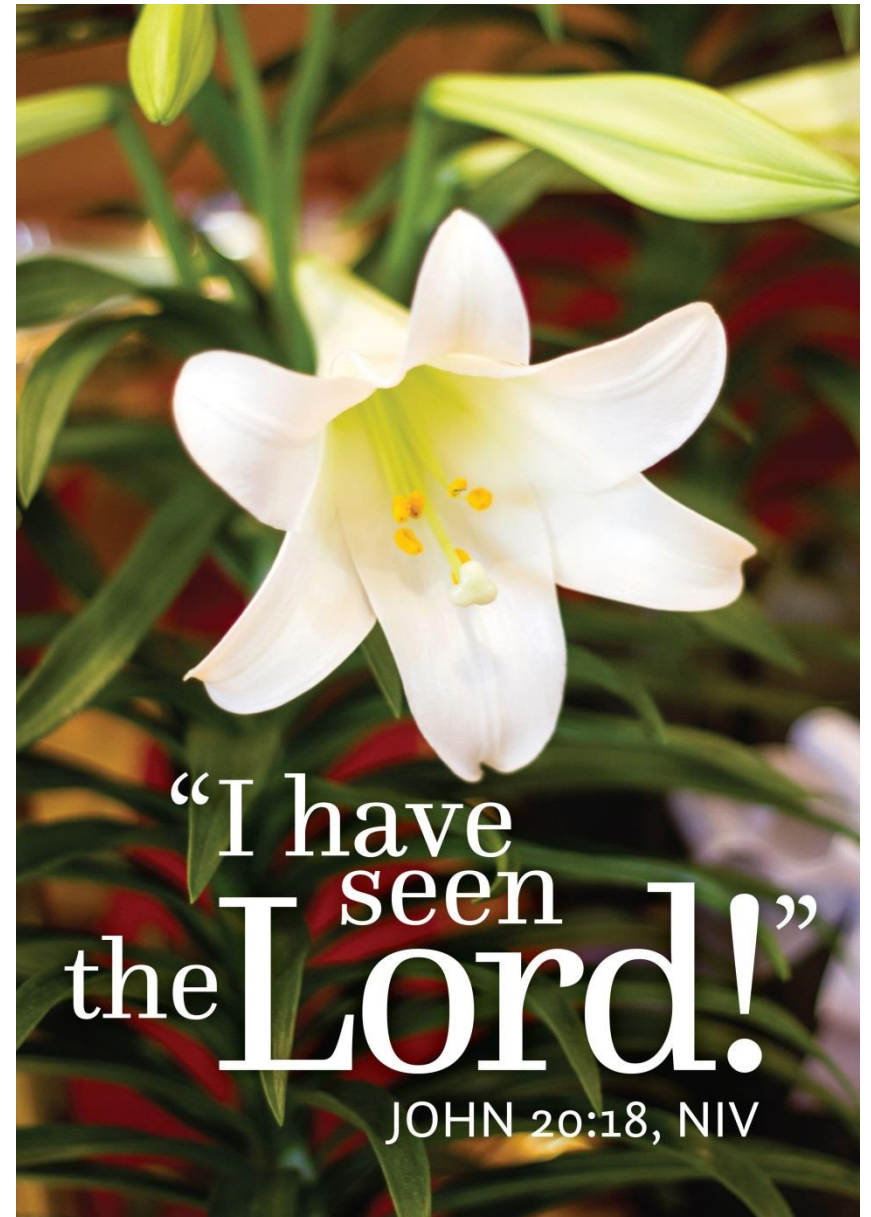
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Easter Sunday April 9, 2023 + 10:30 am

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

L: Christ is risen!

P: Christ is risen, indeed!

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* arr. Rogers

Handbell Anthem *Fanfare* arr. McChesney

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 118, John 20) Alice Walsh

L: Christ is risen!

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Death never gets the final word.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Rejoice in this day of salvation.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever. Alleluia!

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

***Unison Prayer** (Psalm 118, John 20)

Living God, rejoicing in this day of resurrection, we have come to celebrate the strength of your love—a love that triumphs even over death. As we exult in the miracle of your incarnate love, we thank you for the opportunity to encounter the Risen Christ here in our midst. Amen.

***Hymn** *Up from the Grave He Arose* UMH 322

Prayers of the People

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

***A Modern Affirmation of Faith** UMH 885

L: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

P: **We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Gloria Patri** UMH 70

Anthem *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* David H. Williams

Invitation for the Offering

You are invited to give your tithes and offerings online (www.noumc.org/donate), by mailing a check to the church office, or in the offering plates that are passed during worship.

Offertory *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!* Henry Balcombe

***Doxology** UMH 94

***Prayer for the Offering**

Handbell Anthem *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. Kinyon

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:1-10

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