

Alleluia! He Is Risen!

WORSHIP SERVICE **EASTER SUNDAY** APRIL 1, 2018 – 10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth Beverly Butrie, soprano

Handel

INTROIT:

For All the Faithful Women

D. Potter

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 118)

One: Christ is risen!

Many: Christ is risen indeed!

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Hymns of praise then let us sing! Let us worship God! All:

*OPENING HYMN #123

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, and God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You raised Jesus to new life that we hold onto former things. You offer salvation to all, yet we fail to share this good news. Forgive us we pray. By your Spirit, make us witnesses to the wonder of the empty tomb and the fullness of life you promise; through Jesus Christ our Lord him and

SILENT, PERSONAL REFLECTION

REJOICING IN GOD'S FORGIVENESS

One: Who are we to deserve such a gift is this?

Many: Thanks be to God for his generous love.

Do not be afraid, for God is with us.

Many: Thanks be to God for his deep, abiding peace.

Who are we that we should know God's forgiving grace through faith? One:

Thanks be to God for his everlasting mercy! Amen All:

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE (Red Pew Bible)

HEBREW BIBLE (Tanakh)

Isaiah 25:6-9

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EPISTLE

Acts 10:34-43

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CHILDREN'S CHAT

ANTHEM

He Was Cut Off/But Thou Didst Not Leave

Handel

Robert Thorpe, tenor

GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

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The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

SERMON

Tom Buchanan, Pastor

*MEDITATION HYMN #119

"The Strife Is Over"

CALL FOR GIFTS AND PLEDGES

(Please put **prayer** requests (green card) or requests for a **pastoral visit** (white card) in the collection plate as it passes.)

OFFERTORY:

He Shall Feed His Flock

Handel

Beverly Butrie, Jennifer Osborne

*DOXOLOGY # 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER ("debts, debtors")

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Iona Community

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INVIATATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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*CLOSING HYMN #122

"Thine Is the Glory"

*BENEDICTION

*PEOPLE'S AMEN #586 (sung)

Traditional

The service has ended; if you wish to leave, please do so quietly, or remain seated for the Postlude.

POSTLUDE

The Trumpet Shall Sound Hugh Anthony Moses, baritone

Handel

^{*}Please stand in body or in spirit.

- Welcome -

We are delighted to welcome you today. If you are visiting, please make yourself known by filling out a white "Keep in Touch" card and dropping it into the offering plate. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments, in the Guild Room after the service.

Study Catechism

Q. 46 What is it mean that "on the third day" Jesus "rose again from the dead"?

A. That our Lord could not be held by the power of death. Having died on the cross, he appeared to his followers, triumphant from the grave, in a new, exalted kind of life. In showing them his hands and his feet, the one who was crucified revealed himself to them as the Lord and Savior of the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Worship Assistant is Audrey McKenzie Wallace

Thanks to our ushers Eugene Alexander and Al Beaujean

Tom Buchanan, Pastor (203) 912-2800 buchanantr@gmail.com Tamara Cashour, Minister of Music and Choir Director All members are the church's ministers.

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