



## EASTER SUNDAY

*The \*asterisk is an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

Rev. Christopher Liberati

### PREPARATION

Prelude *Earth and All Stars*, arr. by Kevin Hildebrand Dr. Rebecca Abbott

Opening Prayer Liturgist: Rev. Mearle Griffith  
O God of all our days, we come this morning with eager anticipation. We seek to know you, to see you, to touch you. Open our hearts, that we might experience you anew. Open our lives, that we may be faithful witnesses to your resurrection. May we, with shouts of joy, proclaim your steadfast, liberating love to all people, everywhere. Amen.

### Processional Hymns:

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* UM Hymnal 302

*Lift High the Cross* UM Hymnal 159

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Out of the ashes of grief and despair comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

**P: Christ is risen, indeed.**

L: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

**P: Christ is risen, indeed.**

L: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now and always.

**P: Christ is risen. Christ is risen, indeed. Thanks be to God.**

### Invitation to Children

Children's Song *Where Children Belong* TFWS 2233

Children's Message Rev. Lauren Clawson

### INTO THE WORD

Acts 10:39-44 Lay Reader: Jassmine Bayless

\*John 20:1-18

Response to The Word *\*Gloria Patri* UM Hymnal 71

Message Resurrection - He is Risen! Rev. Christopher Liberati

*Come an' See Spiritual* arr. by David Poole Chancel Choir

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

#### Morning & Lord's Prayer

Invitation and Dedication for the Giving of Our Lives, Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings:  
*When we bring an offering to God, it is a form of worship. Worshipping God with giving of our money reveals our hearts desire. We give sacrificially, generously, and continuously as a way of ascribing value to who God is in our lives. As we do so, our love for God and others grows.*

Offertory *Easter Celebration* by Nancy Price and Don Besig  
Chancel Choir, Heather Faulkner, and Jacob Evener

\*Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* **UM Hymnal 94**  
\*Prayer of Dedication

### SENDING FORTH

\*Hymn of Parting *Up from the Grave He Arose* UM Hymnal 322  
\*Benediction

Postlude *Concerto for Two Trumpets, RV 537* by Antonio Vivaldi

Dr. Rebecca Abbott, Heather Faulkner, and Jacob Evener

### Serving in Worship:

Choir Director: Mary Kepple

Sound: Daniel Burson & Jaedyn Bayless

Live Stream: Patsy Hommon & Carol Moore

Ushers: Carol Navin, Jerry & Barb Bell, Larry Yarman

