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In Person Attendance March 28, 2021 8:30 am: 96 11:00 am: 93

“Was It A Morning Like This?”

Was it a morning like this when the sun still hid from Jerusalem and Mary rose from her bed to tend the Lord she thought was dead? Was it a morning like this when Mary walked down from Jerusalem and two angels stood at the tomb, bearers of news she would hear soon? Was it a morning like this when Peter and John ran from Jerusalem? And as they raced toward the tomb, beneath their feet was there a tune? Was it a morning like this when my Lord looked out on Jerusalem? He is risen, alleluia, alleluia. Over and over like a trumpet underground did the earth seem to pound, “He is risen!” Over and over in a never-ending round, “He is risen, alleluia, alleluia!”



“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



April 4, 2021

8:30am

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Morning Worship on the Lord's Day

Welcoming First Time Guests

Prelude "Was it a Morning Like This?"
Carol Scull, Susan Teachey

*Call to Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Hymn UMH #302 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" verses 1-6

Congregation is invited to bring flowers forward and leave them at the foot of the cross during processional while attendants flower the cross. (Please mask as you come forward)

*Opening Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to guilt, fear, and a long list of regrets. We compare ourselves to others and often tell ourselves "we are not that bad." We hide the sinful parts of our lives and often refuse to acknowledge the ways we have manipulated loved ones, overlooked those in need, and treated our neighbor with disdain or apathy. We use distraction, rationalizations, and justifications for words and behaviors we know are not pleasing to you. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust that your grace is greater than our guilt and shame. Change our lives, and make us new, that we might move from death to resurrection. This we pray in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

*The Peace

As forgiven and reconciled people, let us now show one another signs of reconciliation and love. (Wave to One another and remains in seats)

First Scripture Lesson Acts 10:34-43

Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Second Scripture Lesson John 20:1-18

Sermon "On the Third Day"

Pastor Kevin

Invitation to the Table

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Thine is the Glory Risen Conquering Lord"
Lance Tucker

*Doxology UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Great Thanksgiving The Faith We Sing 2257 a-d
Breaking of the Bread
Giving of the Bread and Cup

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(During this season, we will be receiving communion with pre-packed and sealed wafers and juice. You will find these already in the designated seating areas that are available. If at the appointed time you do not have one, please raise your hand and a masked and gloved assistant will bring one to you.

Please wait until the time when we can all partake together. We also ask that each person carry the empty plastic containers out with them when leaving and deposit them in receptacles provided at the exit)

Communion Music "He Arose"
Roger Fulp, Dave Johnson, Carol Scull, Susan Teachey

Prayer after the Meal

*Hymn #322 "Up from the Grave He Arose"

*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude "Jesus Lives and So Shall I"
Terri Boykin

***Indicates Congregation Standing as Able.** Hearing Aids, Large Print Bibles, Large Print Bulletins and Hymnals are available. If you need any of these, please see an usher or greeter. **Please silence all cell phones.**