April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday 9:30 AM

Gathering

Welcome

Procession

Jay Buchanan Prelude

*Call to Worship

One: This is a day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it! One: This is the day of resurrection. All: Let us rejoice and celebrate!

One: This is Easter Sunday. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn UMH 302, v.1-4 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

God of life and love, we are eager to hear the good news of new life. Enter our lives and cast our fears aside. Lead us on a journey from grief and despair to hope and joy. We are ready to celebrate and give thanks for your transforming love. We are eager to rejoice in the glory of this day! Give us Easter spirits and open hearts. Amen.

Passing the Peace

As forgiven, freed, and risen people, testify to the joy of resurrection as you pass the peace of Christ.

Special Music

Jay Buchanan and Gigi Ippolito

Prayer of Preparation

God of life and love, we are here this morning to hear the good news of Easter. Cast aside our doubts and fears, that we may hear your deep truth of life. Help us to listen with expectation and hope. Amen.

Scripture Reading Acts 10:34-43

*Hymn **UMH 312** Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

Scripture Reading Luke 24:1-12

Pastor Sam The Mystery of the Resurrection Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn Thine Be the Glory **UMH 308**

*Blessing and Benediction

Postlude Jay Buchanan

^{*}Opening Prayer

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We invite you to keep the following people in your prayers:

Family of James Adair, Family of Pam Ash, Judy Ashton, Family of Karyn Brandel, Thom and Jeannie Cutter, Family of Kim Davis, **Mary Beth Eichhorn**, Russ Elkins, Finn Estabrook, Family of Elise Fox, Nathan Getty, Family of Patrick Gibbons Sr., Chastity Gonzolez, Elaine Grose, Brenda Guerrier, Family of Billy Hughes, Teresa Knott, **Olga Kreienkamp**, **Jeff Lee**, Marr Family, Anna Catherine Miller, Brooks Morton, Chris Simmons, Janey Raines, Amanda Reed, **Sandy Roemer**, Jack Ruffle, Leelee Shiflett, Dwight Stalvey, Family of Kathleen Wissig, **Ron Whitehead**

Long-term prayer concerns: Danny Beaver, Michael Bowman, JoAnn Cook, Roberta Davis, Jerry Fowler, Grace Graham, Shirly Graham, Richard Giffin, Carrie Harrison, Beau Hildebrand and family, Lois Hunter, Erma Jones, Barbara Maury, Michael Smith, Dustin Summers, Lisa Summers, Justin Whitehead, Ryan Whitehead and his family

Thank you to our Greeters and Ushers – Ron and Shannon Whitehead **Thank you** to our Liturgist – Brooks Morton

